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Development, golf course key to men's store addition

Grady Ervin and Co. opened Monday; Quixote Club opens next week

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What helped convince an upscale Charleston men's

clothing store to locate a second operation in downtown Sumter?

Current downtown development to include Sumter Original

Brewery, the Hyatt Place hotel and newer restaurants played a part, but so did a new golf course less than four miles away from Grady Ervin

and Co.'s location at 2 N. Main St.

Grady Ervin and Co. owner Chip Ervin and Eric Pedersen, the head golf professional and membership director of Quixote Club, among others,

spoke this week on the \$13 million redesigned private course that is set to open Saturday, Dec. 5, to members.

With 10 years of experience

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Ministries' Champagne receives McElveen's final Gamecock City Award

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TOP LEFT: Mayor Joe McElveen congratulates Mark Champagne, executive director of Sumter United Ministries, after presenting him with the Gamecock City Award at the ministry on Monday.

BOTTOM LEFT: A closer look at Champagne's award. This is the 38th award given in McElveen's 20 years as mayor.



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Mark Champagne is seen in his office on Wednesday amid the ministry's Giving Thanks program.

SUM executive director has been working with nonprofit for 15 years

BY KAREEM WILSON
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This week has been a busy one for Mark Champagne. Not only did the executive director of Sumter United Ministries coordinate a Thanksgiving drive-through food drive on Tuesday, but he also received one of Sumter's highest honors: the Gamecock City Society Award. Champagne is no stranger in the community, as this Sumterite has led Sumter United Ministries, a church-led nonprofit that provides assistance with food, crisis relief, shelter, housing assistance and other emergency services, for more than 15 years.

He started out as a volunteer for two years working at the crisis relief ministry. Afterward, he was appointed to executive director at the community shelter and has worked in the position since. In those years, he has seen the ministry go through a lot of changes with the additions of a food pantry, utility bills and rent assistance, a construction ministry, a shelter, a free clinic and clothing

and education assistance for those in need in Sumter.

When asked how he felt to receive such an honor, Champagne merely chuckled and said he humbly accepts the award.

Mayor Joe McElveen, who is soon to be retired, awarded Champagne on Monday with the Gamecock City Society Award, the highest honor for a Sumter resident who has made meaningful contributions to the community and its residents. This is only the 38th

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Military personnel distribute Thanksgiving dinner boxes on Tuesday inside families' cars at Sumter United Ministries.

Charity sends over 150 families home with Thanksgiving turkeys, trimmings

BY KAREEM WILSON
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Down on Artillery Drive, people lined up in their cars Tuesday afternoon to receive food at Sumter United Ministries' Giving Thanks program ahead of Thanksgiving.

The ministry's yearly Thanksgiving dinner boxes program bestows more than 150 pre-identified families in need with a turkey and other holiday food items in a holiday-themed box.

From 1 to 3 p.m., people could be seen almost a mile long waiting in line for a pre-prepared Thanksgiving food box.

The coronavirus pandemic changed this year's holiday program to where Executive Director Mark Champagne said the nonprofit had to establish the holiday program as a

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Volunteers get ready to put a Thanksgiving food box in a client's car at the ministry's drive-through program on Tuesday.



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AstraZeneca error clouds vaccine preliminary results

BY DANICA KIRKA
The Associated Press

LONDON — AstraZeneca and Oxford University on Wednesday acknowledged a manufacturing error that is raising questions about preliminary results of their experimental COVID-19 vaccine.

A statement describing the error came days after the company and the university described the shots as “highly effective” and made no mention of why some study participants didn’t receive as much vaccine in the first of two shots as expected.

In a surprise, the group of volunteers that got a lower dose seemed to be much better protected than the volunteers who got two full doses. In the low-dose group, AstraZeneca said, the vaccine appeared to be 90% effective. In the group that got two full doses, the vaccine appeared to be 62% effective. Combined, the drugmakers said the vaccine appeared to be 70% effective. But the way in which the results were arrived at and reported by the companies has led to pointed questions from experts.

The partial results announced Monday are from large ongoing studies in the U.K. and Brazil designed to determine the optimal dose of vaccine, as well as examine safety and effectiveness. Multiple combinations and doses were tried in the volunteers. They were compared to others who were given a meningitis vaccine or a saline shot.

DID RESEARCHERS MEAN TO GIVE A HALF DOSE?

Before they begin their research, scientists spell out all the steps they are taking, and how they will analyze the results. Any deviation from that protocol can put the results in question.

In a statement Wednesday, Oxford University said some of the vials used in the trial didn’t have the right concentration of vaccine so some volunteers got a half



A researcher in a laboratory at the Jenner Institute in Oxford, England, works on the coronavirus vaccine developed by AstraZeneca and Oxford University.

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dose. The university said that it discussed the problem with regulators and agreed to complete the late stage trial with two groups. The manufacturing problem has been corrected, according to the statement.

WHAT ABOUT THE RESULTS THEMSELVES?

Experts say the relatively small number of people in the low dose group makes it difficult to know if the effectiveness seen in the group is real or a statistical quirk. Some 2,741 people received a half dose of the vaccine followed by a full dose, AstraZeneca said. A total of 8,895 people received two full doses.

Another factor: none of the people in the low-dose group were over 55 years old. Younger people tend to mount a stronger immune response than older people, so it could be that the youth of the participants in the low-dose group is why it looked more effective, not the size of the dose.

Another point of confusion comes from a decision to pool results from two groups of participants who received different dosing levels to reach an average 70% effectiveness, said David Salisbury, and associate fellow of the global health program at the Chatham House think tank.

“You’ve taken two studies for which different doses were used and come up with a composite that doesn’t represent either of the doses,” he said of the figure. “I think many people are having trouble with that.”

WHY WOULD A SMALLER DOSE BE MORE EFFECTIVE?

Oxford researchers say they aren’t certain and they are working to uncover the reason.

Sarah Gilbert, one of the Oxford scientists leading the research, said the answer is probably related to providing exactly the right amount of vaccine to trigger the best immune response.

“It’s the Goldilocks amount that you want, I think, not too little and not too much. Too much could give you a poor quality response as well,” she said. “So you want just the right amount and it’s a bit hit and miss when you’re trying to go quickly to get that perfect first time.”

WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

Details of the trial results will be published in medical journals and provided to U.K. regulators so they can decide whether to authorize distribution of the vaccine. Those reports will include a detailed breakdown that includes demographic and other information about who got sick in each group, and give a more complete picture of how effective the vaccine is.

Moncef Slaoui, who leads the U.S. coronavirus vaccine program Operation Warp Speed, said Tuesday in a call with reporters that U.S. officials are trying to determine what immune response the vaccine produced, and may decide to modify the AstraZeneca study in the U.S. to include a half dose.

“But we want it to be based on data and science,” he said.

Sumter Police Department to help Santa Claus collect children’s Christmas wishes

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Santa has again asked the Sumter Police Department to help collect and deliver Christmas wishes from local children, according to Tonya McGirt, public relations officer for the department.

McGirt says a special mailbox was dropped off by elves at the front of the police department at 335 N. Lafayette Drive and is ready to collect letters to Santa Claus.

Letters placed in the box by Friday, Dec. 18, will be taken to the North Pole. Santa will be working hard to write back before Christmas.

No postage is needed, but make sure to include a return address.

“In addition to honoring the meaning of the season, Christmas is a time to create memories and add a little magic to our lives, whether young or old,” Chief Russell Roark said. “We certainly appreciate the opportunity to work with Santa and make this holiday extra special for local children.”



Vice chair of Lee County School District Board earns recognition

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Lee County School District’s Board Vice Chair Sylvia Scott has earned the highest level of recognition in the South Carolina School Boards Association’s Boardmanship Institute program. Scott will be recognized for her Level 6 achievement at the SCSBA’s Annual Convention held at the Hilton Head Marriott on Hilton Head Island. She will also receive special recognition for her achievement on Feb. 20, 2021, during the SCSBA’s general session.



SCOTT

A lifelong Lee County resident, Scott graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School in 1975 and earned a bachelor’s degree from South Carolina State University in 1979 and a master’s degree from Francis Marion University in 1981. She also earned graduate-level credit hours from University of South Carolina in Columbia and The Citadel. Scott holds a professional certification

from the South Carolina Department of Education in elementary and secondary school counseling.

A retired educator, Scott served in Lee County School District as a guidance counselor and director of human resources for 32 years. She has been a member of the Lee County School District Board of Trustees since 2014. Scott is a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church in Elliott and a Diamond Life Member of Sumter Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.

Established in 1982, SCSBA’s Boardmanship Institute offers a year-round training curriculum focused on leadership skills for board members on state and national educational issues. Board members are recognized for reaching each of six levels. Boardmanship Institute Levels 1-5 are presented to board members during a district board meeting. Level 6, the highest level of recognition, is awarded during SCSBA’s Annual Convention and recognized at the district during a board meeting.

WHAT YOUR GOVERNMENT IS DOING: SUMTER COUNTY COUNCIL

Dollar General likely landing on Pinewood Road

BY KAYLA GREEN
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A Dollar General that has been proposed on Pinewood Road took two steps closer to being set in stone Tuesday.

Sumter County Council heard second reading and held a public hearing on the rezoning request that would turn 4.13 acres at 1810 Pinewood Road,

which is just off the intersection of Kolb Road, from agricultural conservation to neighborhood commercial. If approved, CDP Sumter LLC plans to build a Dollar General.

The developer said during the public hearing he has developed multiple Dollar General stores in Sumter County and that he is sensitive to residential housing. The company has leased the entire four-plus-acres site

but only needs about half to build the store, he said, so the back half will remain undeveloped to provide a buffer between the business and the houses behind it.

Councilman Jimmy Byrd, who said he grew up in that area, wanted to make sure there would be enough buffering between all the nearby housing. The developer said he’d work with the area’s residents and

that he’ll build fencing, screening or landscaping between the store and an adjacent neighbor who asked about it at the meeting.

The Sumter City-County Planning Commission has recommended the proposal be approved. It passed second reading Tuesday 6-0 with Councilman Charles Edens recused. County proposals must pass three readings to be approved.

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Black-and-white westerns ...

I'm in a room, waiting for my truck to get serviced. They told me I need new front brakes and a new battery. Funny how you go in for one thing, and they find two more things that need to be fixed. The TV is showing an old western movie, "3:10 to Yuma." Not the Russell Crowe version, the Glen Ford, black-and-white original.



Clay Smith

was a plot twist: the bad guy would turn good and stand with the other good guys. He would shoot his former partners, and then the sheriff would give him a horse and a head start. We all knew the sheriff wouldn't chase him. As the credits rolled, we

hoped he would find a good woman, settle down, raise some cows, have some kids and never turn to crime again. I'm not sure it really works that way in real life.

I do remember as a child thinking, "There sure are a lot of bad things happening on the Ponderosa." I lived on a ranch, just like

Adam, Hoss and Little Joe. We never had rustlers trying to steal our cattle or bandits who tried to break into the bank. When we rode out to work cows, we never found a traveling snake-oil salesman or a tramp passing through. Some of the older hands would actually carry a rifle or a pistol, but the guns were used only to kill rattlesnakes. We never had a shootout with a gang. Of course, our ranch was not out west; we were down south.

About the time we got a color TV, Westerns changed to color, too. Marshall Dillon was still the good guy, but we were never sure if Clint Eastwood was the good guy or the bad guy. The shows changed: The bad guys seemed to win more often. The good guys weren't always good; sometimes they turned out to be the bigger crooks. The girls seemed to like the bad guys more than the guys with white hats. The producers and directors told us they were producing "art." This is

real life, they said. But pop culture moved on. Cop shows replaced the westerns. The westerns rode off into the sunset.

Art, they say, imitates life. Maybe the black-and-white westerns represented the way most of us saw life. We wanted to believe people were easily divided into good guys and bad guys. We hoped the bad guys always had to pay for their crimes, and the good guys always got the girl. Decisions are easier when everything is in black and white.

Jesus followers know there are no "good guys" and "bad guys." In every one of us, there is the capacity to be very bad. That capacity to be bad becomes reality more than any of us want to admit. Paul wrote a great insight: "There are none that are righteous; no, not one." Life really is a matter of black and white, and all of us are the bad guys.

This is the "why" of Christmas. Jesus, fully God, fully man, came to live on this earth and die for our sins. He opened the door for us to become one of the "good guys," something we cannot accomplish on our own. Unlike the sheriff, he doesn't give us a horse and a head start. He invites us to follow him, to learn from him, to live a Kingdom life.

Amid all the color of Christmas, there is still a black-and-white truth: My hope is not in what I can do; it is in what Jesus has done for me. What he has done for us all?

The Rev. Dr. Clay Smith is the lead pastor of Alice Drive Baptist Church in Sumter. Email him at claysmith@adb.org.

CHURCH NEWS

Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 211 Alice Drive, announces:

* Thursday, Dec. 3 — Blood drive from 2 to 6 p.m.

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, 401 Dingle St., announces:

* Sunday, Dec. 6 — A drive-in service of Holy Eucharist will be held at 9:30 a.m. The Venerable Calhoun Walpole, archdeacon of the Diocese of South Carolina, will officiate. Lawn seating will also be available, weather permitting.

Pinewood Baptist Church, 10 E. Fulton St., Pinewood, announces:

* Sunday, Dec. 13 — The adult choir will present "The Light of Christmas" at 6 p.m.

* Wednesday, Dec. 16 — The children's Christmas program will be held at 7 p.m. followed by the annual Christmas tree gift exchange and a visit from Santa.

* Sunday, Dec. 20 — The adult choir will present "The Light of Christmas" at 11 a.m. The church will host a community-wide Christmas caroling at 5 p.m.

* Sunday, Jan. 31, 2021 — The church will host Christian vo-

calist, songwriter, speaker and author Dawn Smith Jordan (www.dawnsmithjordan.com) in concert at 6:30 p.m. Dawn committed her life to ministry as a junior in high school and has been in ministry full-time since 1987. In 1986, she was Miss South Carolina and second runner up to Miss America. She is well-known for sharing her story of triumph over tragedy following the murder of her sister, Shari, in 1985, for which a movie was made. A love offering will be received. Refreshments and a chance to meet Dawn will follow the concert.

* Admission to all events is free, and all are welcome. A nursery will be provided. For more information, call (803) 452-5373 or visit the website at www.pinewoodbaptist.org.

Providence Baptist Church, 2445 Old Manning Road, announces:

* Sunday, Dec. 6 — Communion service at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.

* Sunday, Dec. 13 — Baptism and the choir's Christmas cantata during the 10:30 a.m. service in the sanctuary.

Social distancing is observed at all meetings. For details, call (803) 481-9688.

USC president tests positive for COVID-19

COLUMBIA (AP) — University of South Carolina President Bob Caslen said Wednesday that he has tested positive for the coronavirus.

Caslen said he tested positive Tuesday evening and is isolating at home, according to a news release, which added that he is asymptomatic.

Caslen, who was chosen to head the state's largest institution of higher learning in 2019, gets tested at least three times a week for the virus. The positive test was administered through the university, which offers saliva-based and nasal swab

tests to students, faculty and staff.

"I am in good health and continuing to work from home. I look forward to returning to the office as soon as possible," Caslen said in a statement. "My diagnosis reinforces the need for everyone to get COVID tested regularly to protect yourself and your loved ones."

Caslen had announced earlier this week that the university would institute monthly mandatory testing for students, faculty and staff who work on campus or are enrolled in at least one face-to-face or hybrid class.

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DISCOVER

Former executive faces prison time in S.C. nuclear debacle

BY JEFFREY COLLINS
The Associated Press

COLUMBIA — The executive who spent billions of dollars on two South Carolina nuclear plants that never generated a single watt of power is almost certain to spend time in prison. Former SCANA Corp. CEO Kevin Marsh signed a deal Tuesday agreeing to plead guilty to felony fraud charges in federal and state court. In exchange, prosecutors said they agreed with Marsh's lawyers to ask for 18 months to 36 months in prison — all spent in federal custody instead of a state prison, per Marsh's request. Marsh also will have to pay \$5 mil-

lion in restitution, with \$3 million of it due before he is sentenced. SCANA had paid Marsh \$5 million in 2017, the year the utility abandoned the hopelessly behind-schedule project in Fairfield County and the massive federal investigation began. Under the plea deal, Marsh will be sentenced once the investigation into the debacle ends. Marsh admitted presenting false information in earning calls, presentations and press releases, as did former SCANA Executive Vice President Stephen Byrne, who pleaded guilty in July. They were trying to keep investors pumping money into the project and the company's stock price up,

prosecutors said. Their actions took more than \$1 billion from the pockets of ratepayers and investors, authorities said in an 87-page Securities and Exchange Commission lawsuit filed against them in February. Marsh, 65, will plead guilty to conspiracy to commit wire and mail fraud in federal court and obtaining property by false pretenses in state court, according to the plea. A judge must approve the sentence agreed to by Marsh and prosecutors. Byrne is also awaiting sentencing. His plea didn't include a negotiated sentence. Both men have agreed to cooperate with investigators or possibly face more charges and greater

punishment. Marsh's lawyers did not return emails seeking comment. Details of the fraud committed by the executives are outlined in the federal regulator's February filing. The filing documented the history of the doomed nuclear project, which started in 2008. Marsh and Byrne never wavered from saying the two reactors being built at the V.C. Summer site north of Columbia would be finished by the end of 2020 — a deadline they had to meet if they were going to receive the \$1.4 billion in federal tax credits needed to keep the \$10 billion project from overwhelming the utility.

Supporters of President Donald Trump gather outside of the Wyndham Hotel where the Pennsylvania State Senate Majority Policy Committee met on Wednesday in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.



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Trump, allies still refuse election loss

WASHINGTON (AP) — Monday seemed like the end of President Donald Trump's relentless challenges to the election, after the federal government acknowledged President-elect Joe Biden was the "apparent winner" and Trump cleared the way for cooperation on a transition of power. By Wednesday, Trump was phoning in to a local Pennsylvania Republican lawmakers' meeting that had been orchestrated by his campaign to assert falsely that the election was tainted. "This election was rigged, and we can't let that happen," Trump said by phone, offering no specific evidence. The 2020 presidential race is turning into the zombie election that Trump just won't let die. Despite dozens of legal and procedural setbacks, his campaign keeps filing new challenges that have no hope of succeeding and making fresh, unfounded claims of fraud. But that's the point. Trump's strategy wasn't to change the outcome, but to create a host of phantom claims about the 2020 presidential race that would infect the nation with doubt, even though the winner was clear and there has been no evidence of mass voter fraud. "Zombies are dead people walking among the living — this litigation is the same thing," said Franita Tolson, a

professor at the University of Southern California Gould School of Law. "In terms of litigation that could change the election, all these cases are basically dead men walking." It's a strategy tolerated by many Republicans, most notably Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, who are clinging to Trump as they face a test of retaining their own power in the form of two runoff elections in Georgia in January. "This really is our version of a polite coup d'etat," said Thomas Mann, senior resident scholar at the Institute of Governmental Studies at the University of California at Berkeley. "It could end quickly if the Republican Party acknowledged what was going on. But they cower in the face of Trump's connection with the base." A day after Trump said his administration should begin working with Biden's team, three more lawsuits were filed by allies attempting to stop the certification in two more battleground states. In Michigan, a judge did not rule on the suit, and the state certified the results for Biden. Another was filed in Wisconsin, which doesn't certify until Tuesday. Arizona Republicans filed a complaint about ballot inspection; the state certification is due Monday. And the campaign legal team said state lawmakers in

Arizona and Michigan would hold meetings on the election "to provide confidence that all of the legal votes have been counted and the illegal votes have not been counted in the November 3rd election." In Pennsylvania, where state Republican lawmakers met at Gettysburg on Wednesday to air grievances about the election, Trump lawyer Rudy Giuliani attended in person and Trump dialed in from the Oval Office. "We have all the evidence," Trump asserted. "All we need is to have some judge listen to it properly without having a political opinion." But the strongest legal rebuke yet came from a conservative Republican judge in federal court in Pennsylvania, who on Saturday dismissed the Trump team's lawsuit seeking to throw out the results of the election. The judge admonished the Trump campaign in a scathing ruling about its lack of evidence. The campaign has appealed.

High court blocks N.Y. coronavirus limits on houses of worship

WASHINGTON (AP) — As coronavirus cases surge again nationwide, the Supreme Court late Wednesday barred New York from enforcing certain limits on attendance at churches and synagogues in areas designated as hard hit by the virus. The justices split 5-4 with new Justice Amy Coney Barrett in the majority. It was the conservative's first publicly discernible vote as a justice. The court's three liberal justices and Chief Justice John Roberts dissented. The move was a shift for the court. Earlier this year, when Barrett's liberal predecessor, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, was still on the court, the justices divided 5-4 to leave in place pandemic-related capacity restrictions affecting churches in California and Nevada. The court's action Wednesday could push New York to reevaluate its restrictions on houses of worship in areas designated virus hot spots. But the impact of the court's action is also muted because the Catholic and Orthodox Jewish groups that sued to challenge the restrictions are no longer subject to them. The Diocese of Brooklyn and Agudath Israel of America have churches and synagogues in areas of Brooklyn and Queens pre-

viously designated red and orange zones. In those red and orange zones, the state had capped attendance at houses of worship at 10 and 25 people, respectively. But those particular areas are now designated as yellow zones with less restrictive rules neither group challenged. The justices acted on an emergency basis, temporarily barring New York from enforcing the restrictions against the groups while their lawsuits continue. In an unsigned opinion, the court said the restrictions "single out houses of worship for especially harsh treatment." "Members of this Court are not public health experts, and we should respect the judgment of those with special expertise and responsibility in this area. But even in a pandemic, the Constitution cannot be put away and forgotten. The restrictions at issue here, by effectively barring many from attending religious services, strike at the very heart of the First Amendment's guarantee of religious liberty," the opinion said. The opinion noted that in red zones, while a synagogue or church cannot admit more than 10 people, businesses deemed "essential," from grocery stores to pet shops, can remain open without capacity limits.

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Picture of U.S. economy worrisome as virus inflicts damage

BY MARTIN CRUTSINGER and PAUL WISEMAN
AP Economic Writers

WASHINGTON — Gripped by the accelerating viral outbreak, the U.S. economy is under pressure from persistent layoffs, diminished income and nervous consumers, whose spending is needed to drive a recovery from the pandemic.

A flurry of data released Wednesday suggested that the spread of the virus is intensifying the threats to an economy still struggling to recover from the deep recession that struck in early spring.

The number of Americans seeking unemployment aid rose last week for a second straight week to 778,000, evidence that many employers are still slashing jobs more than eight months after the virus hit. Before the pandemic, weekly jobless claims typically amounted to only about 225,000. Layoffs are still historically high, with many businesses unable to fully reopen and some, especially restaurants and bars, facing tightened restrictions.

Consumers increased their spending last month by just 0.5%, the weakest rise since the pandemic erupted. The

tepid figure suggested that on the eve of the crucial holiday shopping season, Americans remain anxious with the virus spreading and Congress failing to enact any further aid for struggling individuals, businesses, cities and states. At the same time, the government said Wednesday that income, which provides the fuel for consumer spending, fell 0.7% in October.

The spike in virus cases is heightening pressure on companies and individuals, with fear growing that the economy could suffer a “double-dip” recession as states and cities reimpose curbs on businesses. The economy, as measured by the gross domestic product, is expected to eke out a modest gain this quarter before weakening — and perhaps shrinking — early next year. Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody’s Analytics, predicts

annual GDP growth of around 2% in the October-December quarter, with the possibility of GDP turning negative in the first quarter of 2021.

Economists at JPMorgan Chase have slashed their forecast for the first quarter to a negative 1% annual GDP rate.

“This winter will be grim,” they wrote in a research note.

Zandi warned that until Congress agrees on a new stimulus plan to replace a now-expired multi-trillion-dollar aid package enacted in the spring, the threat to the economy will grow.

“The economy is going to be very uncomfortable between now and

when we get the next fiscal rescue package,” Zandi said. “If lawmakers can’t get it together, it will be very difficult for the economy to avoid going back into a recession.”

my still show strength, or at least resilience. Manufacturing is one. The government said Wednesday that orders for durable goods rose 1.3% in October, a sign that purchases of goods remain solid even while the economy’s much larger service sector — everything from restaurants, hotels and airlines to gyms, hair salons and entertainment venues — is still struggling. But economists caution that factories, too, remain at risk from the surge in coronavirus cases, which could throttle demand in coming months.

And sales of new homes remained steady in October, the latest sign that ultra-low mortgage rates and a paucity of properties for sale have spurred demand and made the housing market a rare economic bright spot.

But at the heart of the economy are the job market and consumer spending, which remain especially vulnerable to the spike in virus cases. Most economists say the distribution of an effective vaccine would likely reinvigorate growth next year. Yet they warn that any sustained recovery will also hinge on whether Congress can agree soon on a sizable aid package

to carry the economy through what could be a bleak winter.

“With infections continuing to rise at an elevated pace and curbs on business operations widening, layoffs are likely to pick up over coming weeks,” said Rubeela Farooqi, chief U.S. economist at High Frequency Economics.

The government said the total number of people who are continuing to receive traditional state unemployment benefits dropped to 6.1 million from 6.4 million the previous week. That figure has been declining for months. It shows that more Americans are finding jobs and no longer receiving unemployment aid. But it also indicates that many jobless people have used up their state unemployment aid — which typically expires after six months.


More Americans are collecting benefits under programs that were set up to cushion the economic pain from the pandemic. For the week of Nov. 7, the number of people collecting benefits under the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance program — which offers coverage to gig workers and others who don’t qualify for traditional aid — rose by 466,000 to 9.1 million.

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SP	FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM	
LOCAL CHANNELS													
WIS	10	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	How the Grinch Stole Christmas!	Minions Holiday Special	Dateline NBC (N)			WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon	
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Frosty the Snowman Animated. Frosty heads north.	(:32) Frosty Returns	(:01) CBS News Sunday Morning "Pres-ents: The Pet Project" (N)	(:01) Blue Bloods "Trust" Eddie and her new partner fail. (DVS)	News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert		
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "Fabulous Food" (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town Animated. The voice of Fred Astaire. Animated.		(01) 20/20 (N)			ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!	
WRJA	27	11	14	The Chavis Chronicles	This Week In South Carolina	Washington Week (N)	Firing Line With Margaret Hoover (N)	Great Performances "Lea Salonga in Concert" Lea Salonga performs in Australia. (N)		Carolina Stories "Beyond Barbados: The Carolina Connection" The origins and success of South Carolina.		Washington Week	
WACH	57	6	6	(4:30) College Football Stanford at California. From California Memorial Stadium in Berkeley, Calif. (N) (Live)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (Live)			WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)		Sports Zone (N)	Two and a Half Men "Enjoy Those Garlic Balls"	Schitt's Creek Johnny agrees to speak at a funeral.	
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing "The guys are put in the spotlight."	Last Man Standing "The Big LeBaxter" (DVS)	The Doctors		Judge Jerry Former couple feud over electric bill.	Judge Jerry Sisters' dispute over a cell phone.	Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law&Crime Daily (N)
CABLE CHANNELS													
A&E	46	130	The First 48 "Tell No Tales; Unfair Fight" A father of two is gunned down.		The First 48: Shocking Interrogations "Dark Waters" (N)		Live Rescue "Live Rescue -- 11.27.20" (N)			Live Rescue			
AMC	48	180	"Planes, Trains and Automobiles" ** "Four Christmases" spoon. A couple must somehow fit in four holiday visits with family.		** "Fred Claus" (2007, Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Reese Witherspoon. A couple must somehow fit in four holiday visits with family.		** "Nifty Professor II: The Klumps" (2000, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Janet Jackson, Larry Miller. Sher-man Klump attempts to remove Buddy Love from his DNA.			** "Four Christmases" (2008)			
ANPL	41	100	River Monsters		Beast-Kept Secrets (N)		River Monsters: Deadliest Man-Eaters (N)			River Monsters		Beast-Secrets	
BET	61	162	** "The Nutty Professor" (1996, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Jada Pinkett, James Coburn. A plump scientist transforms himself into a svelte swinger.		** "Nifty Professor II: The Klumps" (2000, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Janet Jackson, Larry Miller. Sher-man Klump attempts to remove Buddy Love from his DNA.		** "Nifty Professor II: The Klumps" (2000, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Janet Jackson, Larry Miller. Sher-man Klump attempts to remove Buddy Love from his DNA.			Tyler Perry's House of Payne			
BRAVO	47	181	(5:54) ** "Twilight" (2008) Kristen Stewart. A teen is caught up in an unorthodox romance with a vampire.		** "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" (2009, Romance) Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson, Taylor Lautner. Bella finds herself drawn into the world of werewolves.		(19) ** "The Twilight Saga: Eclipse" (2010) Kristen Stewart.						
CNBC	35	84	The News With Shepard Smith (N)		Deal or No Deal		Deal or No Deal "It Takes Two"		Deal or No Deal "Happy Howie Days"		Deal or No Deal "Family Values"		Shepard Smith
CNN	3	80	Erin Burnett OutFront (N) (Live)		First Ladies Michelle Obama carves her own legacy.		First Ladies The life of Jackie Kennedy.		First Ladies "Nancy Reagan"		First Ladies "Hillary Rodham Clinton"		
COM	57	136	(5:30) ** "We're the Millers" (2013) Jennifer Aniston, Jason Sudeikis.		Jeff Dunham's Completely Unrehearsed Last Minute Pandemic Holiday		Jeff Dunham's Completely Unrehearsed Last Minute Pandemic Holiday		Jeff Dunham's Completely Unrehearsed Last Minute Pandemic Holiday		** "Bad Santa 2" (2016) Billy Bob Thornton. Three angry criminals conspire to bilk a Chicago charity.		
DISN	18	200	Raven's Home		Raven's Home		Raven's Home (N)		Just Roll With It (N)		(8:55) Jessie		(:20) Jessie
DSC	42	103	Gold Rush Rick upgrades his operation.		Gold Rush "Face Off" (N)		Gold Rush: Dave Turin's Lost Mine			Gold Rush			
ESPN	26	35	College Football Oregon at Oregon State. From Reser Stadium in Corvallis, Ore. (N) (Live)		Scoreboard			College Football		Washington at Washington State. (N) (Live)			
ESPN2	27	39	(6:30) College Basketball VCU at Tennessee. (N) (Live)		Basketball		College Basketball		SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N)		
FOOD	40	109	Diners, Drive		Diners, Drive		Diners, Drive		Diners, Drive		Diners, Drive		
FOXN	37	90	The Story With Martha MacCallum (N)		Tucker Carlson Tonight (N) (Live)		Hannity (N) (Live)		The Ingraham Angle (N) (Live)		Fox News at Night With Shannon Tucker Carlson		
FREE	20	131	(6:00) *** "Ratatouille" (2007, Children's) Oswalt, Ian Holm, Lou Romano.		*** "Zootopia" (2016, Children's) Voices of Ginnifer Goodwin, rabbit Judy Hopps joins forces with a wily fox.		The 700 Club			The Simpsons "Kill Gil, Vol. 1 & 2"			
FSS	21	47	Fish		OU Review From Nov. 21, 2020.		Pro Football Week		3 Wide Life (N)		College Basketball Texas-San Antonio at Oklahoma.		
HALL	52	183	(6:00) "Crown for Christmas" (2015, Romance) Danica McKellar.		"Five Star Christmas" (2020, Romance) Bethany Joy Lenz, Victor Webster. Premiere. Lisa plots to get a five-star review from a travel critic.		(:03) "A Timeless Christmas" (2020, Romance) Ryan Paevey, Erin Cahill, Brandi Alexander. A time traveler meets a tour guide at his historic mansion.		(12:03) "Switched for Christmas"				
HGTV	39	112	Love It or List It		Dream Home		Dream Home		Biggest Little Christmas Showdown (N)		Martha Knows		
HIST	45	110	Ancient Aliens "The Alien Mountain"		Ancient Aliens "The Lost Kingdom"		Ancient Aliens "The Forbidden Bible"		(:03) Ancient Aliens		(:05) Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens
ION	13	18	Criminal Minds "Ghost" The team searches for a serial killer.		Criminal Minds "Date Night" A father and daughter are kidnapped.		Criminal Minds "Rusty" Prentiss must evaluate her relationship. (DVS)		Criminal Minds "Family Tree" Texas businessmen are being murdered.		Criminal Minds "Face Off" The team sets out to capture Lynch.		Criminal Minds "And in the End"
LIFE	50	145	(6:00) "A Christmas in Tennessee" (2018, Drama) Rachel Boston.		"Dear Christmas" (2020, Romance) Melissa Joan Hart, Jason Priestley. Premiere. A podcast host develops a romance with a firefighter.		(:05) "Christmas Hotel" (2019, Romance) Tatyana Ali, Sean Patrick Thomas, Sheryl Lee Ralph. A big city hotelier must pull off a major project.		(12:01) "Dear Christmas" (2020)				
MSNBC	36	92	The Reid Out (N) (Live)		All In With Chris Hayes (N) (Live)		The Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word		The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N)		Rachel Maddow
NICK	16	210	The Astronauts (N) Side Hustle		Side Hustle		Friends		Friends		Friends		Friends
PARMT	64	153	(6:00) ** "2 Guns" (2013) Denzel Washington.		** "Gone in 60 Seconds" (2000, Action) Nicolas Cage, Angelina Jolie, Giovanni Ribisi.		** "Con Air" (1997, Action) Nicolas Cage.						
SYFY	58	152	(6:30) *** "The Fifth Element" (1997, Science Fiction) Bruce Willis, Gary Oldman, Ian Holm. A New York cabbie tries to save Earth in 2259.		*** "Doctor Strange" (2016, Action) Benedict Cumberbatch, Chiwetel Ejiofor, Rachel McAdams. The Ancient One introduces Dr. Stephen Strange to magic. (DVS)		(:35) The Movie Show (N)		Very Special G4 Holiday Reunion				
TBS	24	156	*** "Crazy Rich Asians" (2018, Romance-Comedy) Constance Wu, Henry Golding, Michelle Yeoh. A woman learns more about her boyfriend and his rich family. (DVS)		*** "Crazy Rich Asians" (2018, Romance-Comedy) Constance Wu, Henry Golding, Michelle Yeoh. A woman learns more about her boyfriend and his rich family. (DVS)		ELEAGUE Super Punch (N)						
TCM	49	186	(6:00) *** "Shadow of a Doubt" (1943) Teresa Wright.		*** "7 Faces of Dr. Lao" (1964, Fantasy) Tony Randall, Barbara Eden. A Chinese showman's appearances include Merlin, Pan and Medusa.		*** "Billy Rose's Jumbo" (1962, Musical) Doris Day, Stephen Boyd, Jimmy Durante. A young woman tries to save her father's failing circus.		(12:15) *** "At the Circus" (1939)				
TLC	43	157	The Family Chantel "A Royal Mess"		90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way Tim makes a fateful decision. (N)		90 Day: Other		90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way		90 Day: Other		
TNT	23	158	** "Aquaman" (2018, Action) Jason Momoa, Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe. Aquaman must save Atlantis from his power-hungry brother. (DVS)		** "Justice League" (2017, Action) Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill, Gal Gadot. Batman, Wonder Woman and other heroes unite to battle evil. (DVS)		Impractical Jokers			Impractical Jokers		Tacoma FD	
TRUTV	38	129	Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Tacoma FD
TV LAND	55	161	Andy Griffith Show		Love-Raymond		Love-Raymond		Love-Raymond		Love-Raymond		King of Queens
USA	25	132	"Harry Potter-Phoenix" (:35) *** "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" (2009, Children's) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. New dangers lurk for Harry, Dumbledore and their friends. (DVS)		(:04) Modern Family (DVS)		(:34) Modern Family "Fight or Flight"		(12:04) Modern Family				
WE	68	166	Love After Lockup Sarah's husband and boyfriend meet.		Love After Lockup (N)		(:01) Bridezillas		(:01) Love After Lockup		Love After Lockup		
WGNA	8	172	Last Man Standing		NewsNation (N) (Live)		NewsNation (N) (Live)		NewsNation (N) (Live)		NewsNation		

Modern day 'Black Beauty' streams on Disney+

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

A story so beloved it has inspired a half-dozen movie adaptations, a 2020 version of "Black Beauty" begins streaming on Disney+.

Kate Winslet offers a voiceover from the point of view of the titular horse, a mustang whose life takes her from an idyllic upbringing in the American West to a Long Island horse farm and any number of new owners.

Mackenzie Foy ("The Conjuring," "Twilight") plays Jo Green, the strident young woman grieving the loss of her parents, who forms an unbreakable bond with Beauty. Iain Glen ("Game of Thrones") is John Manly, her estranged uncle, the man who brings Beauty home from the wranglers out west.

While set in what looks like the present day, complete with helicopters and pickup trucks, "Beauty" effects a certain timelessness. With a name that leaves little in doubt, John Manly spends his time on the porch of his cabin reading books of poetry. He's willing to share his library with Jo, but she's too embittered, a young woman wounded in ways that only a horse can heal.

It's hard to quibble with a long-beloved tale of girl/horse bonding and an animal character that endures mishaps and tragedies enough to fill a 19th century melodrama. Written by Anna Sewall, "Black Beauty" was published in 1877.

The transition to the modern day is half-hearted at best. And why bother messing with a beloved period piece? Would you want to watch "Little Women" in a shopping mall? "Anne of Green Gables" on Adrenaline?

Winslet's voiceover is relentless and frequently overbearing. And for the most part, unnecessary. Horses are regal creatures precisely because they are silent. Leave talking horses to the sitcoms.

From "Northern Exposure" to "Doc Martin," television creators (and viewers) can't get enough of medical folk becoming fish out of water in picturesque locations. Netflix begins streaming the second season of "Virgin River," based on a series of novels by Robyn Carr. Alexandra Breckenridge stars as "Mel" Monroe, a nurse and midwife who



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Mackenzie Foy stars as Jo Green in the new adaptation of "Black Beauty," now streaming on Disney+.

leaves busy L.A. to relocate to a remote town in the forests of Northern California.

Look for Annette O'Toole as Hope McCrea, the mayor of Virgin River and a not-so reliable landlord and housecleaner. O'Toole's many credits include "Nash Bridges" and "Smallville." She was Lana Lang in "Superman III." She is married to Michael McKean ("Laverne & Shirley" and "Spinal Tap"). Together, they were nominated for an Academy Award for the song "A Kiss at the End of the Rainbow" for the 2003 mockumentary "A Mighty Wind," created by McKean's frequent collaborator Christopher Guest.

• Santa suffers amnesia in "A Go! Go! Cory Carson Christmas," streaming today on Netflix.

• An unsuccessful musician retreats to his parents' home over the holidays in the Netflix series "Over Christmas." From Germany.

• Netflix also launches the seasonal "Sugar Rush Christmas:

Season 2," starting today.

TONIGHTS OTHER CHRISTMAS MOVIES AND SPECIALS

• Jimmy Durante narrates the 1969 Rankin-Bass production of "Frosty the Snowman" (8 p.m., CBS, TV-G). The 1992 special "Frosty Returns" (8:30 p.m., TV-G) follows, featuring the voices of Jonathan Winters and John Goodman.

• Boris Karloff narrates the 1966 special "How the Grinch Stole Christmas!" (8 p.m., NBC, TV-G).

• Mickey Rooney is heard in the 1970 special "Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town" (8 p.m., ABC, TV-G).

• A woman returns home to help with her father's bed-and-breakfast in the 2020 romance "Five Star Christmas" (8 p.m., Hallmark, TV-G).

• A podcast host falls for a handsome firefighter in the 2020 romance "Dear Christmas" (8 p.m., Lifetime, TV-G).

• Mischief makers celebrate on "Minions Holiday Special"

(8:30 p.m., NBC, TV-PG).

• A novelty song inspired the 2000 special "Grandma Got Run Over By A Reindeer" (9 p.m., CW, TV-G).

TONIGHT'S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

• Jane Pauley hosts a "CBS Sunday Morning" special (9 p.m.) celebrating pets.

• "WWE Friday Night SmackDown" (8 p.m., Fox, TV-PG).
• Singer Lea Salonga performs popular favorites on "Great Performances" (9 p.m., PBS, TV-G, check local listings).

• A fratricide and reverse racism on "Blue Bloods" (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

CULT CHOICE

Shirley MacLaine made her screen debut in Alfred Hitchcock's whimsical 1955 mystery "The Trouble With Harry" (4:15 p.m., TCM, TV-PG). Look for Edmund Gwenn ("Miracle on 34th Street") as well as future TV stars Jerry Mathers

("Leave It to Beaver") and John Forsythe ("Bachelor Father," "Charlie's Angels" and "Dynasty").

SERIES NOTES

"World's Funniest Animals" (8 p.m., CW, TV-PG), followed by a repeat episode (8:30 p.m.) * "Dateline" (9 p.m., NBC, TV-PG) * "20/20" (9 p.m., ABC).

LATE NIGHT

Ryan Phillippe, David Cross and Wallows are booked on "Jimmy Kimmel Live!" (11:35 p.m., ABC, r) * Stacey Abrams and Thomas Middleditch drop by "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (11:35 p.m., CBS, r) * Hugh Laurie, Rachel Bloom, LP and Valerie Franco visit "Late Night With Seth Meyers" (12:35 a.m., NBC, r) * Josh Gad, the Score and AWOLNATION appear on "The Late Late Show With James Corden" (12:35 a.m., CBS, r).

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SP	FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM			
LOCAL CHANNELS															
WIS	10	3	10	Entertainment Tonight (N)			The National Dog Show: More than 500 dogs compete.			Saturday Night Live "Taylor Swift" From Nov. 7, 2009: Taylor Swift. (N)	WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:29) Saturday Night Live			
WLTX	19	9	9	To Be Announced			Robbie the Reindeer: Hooves of Fire & Legend of the Lost Tribe Animated. Robbie versus Blitzen.			The Story of Santa Claus Animated. Jolly couple's history.			(:01) 48 Hours (N)	News 19 at 11pm (N)	NCIS: New Orleans "Conspiracy Theories" A journalist's story source is murdered. (DVS)
WOLO	25	5	12	College Football Scoreboard (N) (Live)	College Football Teams TBA. (N) (Live)						ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)			American Ninja Warrior "Indianapolis Finals" The top 30 contestants compete. (Part 2 of 2)	
WRJA	27	11	14	Andy Williams: Greatest Love Songs (My Music)	Dolly Parton: I Will Always Love You (My Music): Dolly Parton's career.			Peter Betzer: The World Beneath the Waves			NOVA "Mysteries of Sleep" The significance of sleep.			Favorites	
WACH	57	6	6	(4:00) College Football Teams TBA. (N) (Live)	BMW Ultimate Update (N) (Live)	College Football Teams TBA. (N) (Live)						WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)	Panthers Huddle		
WKTC	53	4	22	Last Man Standing Eve spurns a holiday tradition.	Last Man Standing Mike wants Chuck to sell him a car.	Dateline "The Night Lysine Disappeared" A cold-case investigator helps police.	Dateline "Secrets in the Mist" A cold case investigator uses Facebook.	Dateline "Secrets in the Snow" A woman goes missing in the mountains.	Dateline "The Night Hannah Hill Disappeared" Hannah Hill's body is found in her car.	Dateline "While They Were Sleeping"					
CABLE CHANNELS															
A&E	46	130		Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars "Trouble the Oil"	Storage Wars	Storage Wars "High End Heist"	(:01) Storage Wars "Skulduggery"	(:32) Storage Wars "Live and Let Bid"	(:04) Storage Wars	(:34) Storage Wars	(12:03) Storage Wars		
AMC	48	180		(5:30) ** "Fred Claus" (2007, Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Paul Giamatti.	** "EIF" (2003, Children's) Will Ferrell, James Caan, Bob Newhart. A man leaves Santa's workshop to search for his family.			** "EIF" (2003, Children's) Will Ferrell, James Caan, Bob Newhart. A man leaves Santa's workshop to search for his family.			** "Snow Day" (2000) Chris Elliott.				
ANPL	41	100		Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet			Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet (N)			The Secret Life of the Zoo (N)				
BET	61	162		(5:00) ** "Acrimony" (2018) Taraji P. Henson, Lyric Bent.	(:05) ** "Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family" (2011, Comedy-Drama) Tyler Perry, Shad "Bow Wow" Moss, Loretta Devine. Madea takes charge when her niece receives a distressing diagnosis.	(7:48) ** "The Twilight Saga: Eclipse" (2010, Romance) Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson, Taylor Lautner. Bella must choose between Edward and Jacob.			(26) ** "The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1" (2011, Romance) Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson, Taylor Lautner. Bella and Edward marry.			(10:55) Martin "Stake-out" (:27) Martin (Part 1 of 2)	Martin A job lets Martin join Gina.		
BRAVO	47	181		(4:59) ** "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" (2009) Kristen Stewart.											
CNBC	35	84		The Profit "Bentley's Corner Barkery"	Shark Tank (DVS)	Shark Tank (DVS)	Shark Tank (DVS)	Shark Tank (DVS)	Shark Tank (DVS)	Shark Tank (DVS)	Shark Tank (DVS)	Shark Tank (DVS)	Shark Tank		
CNN	3	80		CNN Newsroom (N)	CNN Newsroom (N)	** "Three Identical Strangers" (2018) Robert Shafran.			The History of Comedy			Hist.-Comedy			
COM	57	136		(5:30) ** "Vacation" (2015, Comedy) Ed Helms, Christina Applegate.	** "Joe Dirt" (2001, Comedy) David Spade, Dennis Miller, Brittany Daniel. A mullet-headed janitor relates his personal tale of woe.			** "Hot Tub Time Machine" (2010, Comedy) John Cusack, Rob Corddry. A hot tub transports four pals back to their heyday in the 1980s.			Dunham				
DISN	18	200		Gabby Duran & the Unsittables	Gabby Duran & the Unsittables	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	LEGO Marvel Avengers: Climate	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Jessie		
DSC	42	103		Moonshiners Tickle takes risks.	Moonshiners "The Shining"			Street Outlaws: Fastest in America			Street Outlaws: Fastest in America (N)	Moonshiners	Moonshiners		
ESPN	26	35		College Football LSU at Texas A&M. From Kyle Field in College Station, Texas. (N) (Live)							Scoreboard	College Football Teams TBA. (N) (Live)			
ESPN2	27	39		College Football Teams TBA. (N) (Live)							UFC Fight Night: Modelo vs. Blaydes From UFC Apex in Las Vegas. (N) (Live)				
FOOD	40	109		Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Christmas Cookie Challenge			Christmas Cookie Challenge			Christmas Cookie Challenge			
FOXN	37	90		Life, Liberty & Levin	Watters' World (N)			Justice With Judge Jeanine (N)			The Greg Gutfeld Show (N)	Watters' World	Justice Judge		
FREE	20	131		(4:50) *** "Cinderella" (2015)	(:20) *** "Moana" (2016, Children's) Voices of Dwayne Johnson, Auli'i Cravalho, Rachel House. Animated. A once-mighty demigod and a teen sail across the ocean.	(9:50) **** "Beauty and the Beast" (1991, Children's) Voices of Paige O'Hara. Animated. A maiden trades places with her captive father.			Fight Sports: Boxing			College Football			
FSS	21	47		3 Wide Life	SportsMoney	College Wrestling West Virginia at Oklahoma.						College Football			
HALL	52	183		(6:00) "Christmas at the Plaza" (2019, Romance) Elizabeth Henstridge.	"Christmas Waltz" (2020, Romance) Lacey Chabert, Will Kemp, John Talan Church. Premiere. A dance instructor helps a woman rebuild her dreams.			"Christmas by Starlight" (2020, Romance) Kimberley Sustad, Paul Campbell, Rebecca Shaab. Annie agrees to pose as the legal counsel for a developer.			"Picture a Perfect Christmas" (2019)				
HGTV	39	112		Home Town "Moving to Main Street"	Home Town (N)			(:01) Home Town "Fire and Water"	(:01) Home Town "Termite Terror"	(:01) Home Town	Home Town				
HIST	45	110		History's Greatest Mysteries New evidence on the Titanic disaster.	History's Greatest Mysteries "Endurance: The Hunt for Shackleton's Ice Ship"			(:05) History's Greatest Mysteries "Titanic's Lost Evidence"							
ION	13	18		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A school nurse spots injuries on a girl.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A sorority pledge claims she was raped.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A teenager is brutally assaulted.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A shooting are linked to Finn's past.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A comatose woman turns up in a river.				Law & Order: Special Victims Unit			
LIFE	50	145		(6:00) "Merry Liddle Christmas" (2019) Kelly Rowland, Thomas Cadrot.	"Merry Liddle Christmas Wedding" (2020) Kelly Rowland, Thomas Cadrot. Premiere. A couple try to plan the perfect wedding amid family chaos.			(:06) "No Time Like Christmas" (2019, Romance) Rachel McLaren, Jim O'Heir, Kyla Pratt. A woman and her first love try to save the local theater.			"Merry Liddle Christmas"				
MSNBC	36	92		Voices-Alicia Menendez	The Week With Joshua Johnson (N)			The Week With Joshua Johnson (N)			Voices-Alicia Menendez	The Week With Joshua Johnson	Week-Johnson		
NICK	16	210		(6:00) *** "Despicable Me 2"	Danger Force (N)	Side Hustle (N)	The All-Star Nickmas Spectacular (N)			Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends		
PARMT	64	153		(5:30) * "Grown Ups" (2010)	* "Grown Ups 2" (2013) Adam Sandler. Lenny Feder and his family relocate back to his hometown.			*** "Role Models" (2008, Comedy) Seann William Scott, Paul Rudd.							
SYFY	58	152		(6:25) *** "Doctor Strange" (2016, Action) Benedict Cumberbatch, Chiwetel Ejiofor. The Ancient One introduces Dr. Stephen Strange to magic. (DVS)	*** "Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2" (2017, Science Fiction) Chris Pratt, Zoe Saldana, Voice of Bradley Cooper. The team unravels the mystery of Peter Quill's parentage. (DVS)						(12:15) Futurama				
TBS	24	156		The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Full Frontal With Samantha Bee	** "Lara Croft: Tomb Raider" (2001) Angelina Jolie, Jon Voight.			
TCM	49	186		(6:00) ** "Welcome to Hard Times" (1967) Henry Fonda, Janice Rule.	**** "An American in Paris" (1951, Musical) Gene Kelly, Leslie Caron. A GI stays in Paris to paint and falls in love with a young woman. (DVS)			*** "Moulin Rouge" (1952, Biography) Jose Ferrer, Zsa Zsa Gabor, Colette Marchand. The life of French painter Toulouse-Lautrec.			(12:15) *** "Suspense" (1946)				
TLC	43	157		90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way	90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way	90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way	90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way	90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way	90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way	90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way	90 Day Fiancé: The Other Way	90 Day: Other			
TNT	23	158		*** "Wonder Woman" (2017, Action) Gal Gadot, Chris Pine, Connie Nielsen. Wonder Woman discovers her full powers and true destiny. (DVS)	** "Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice" (2016, Action) Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill, Amy Adams. Batman embarks on a personal vendetta against Superman. (DVS)										
TRUTV	38	129		Tacoma FD	Tacoma FD	Tacoma FD	Tacoma FD	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers			
TV LAND	55	161		Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	(:45) Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men			
USA	25	132		(4:50) *** "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1" (2010)	*** "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2" (2011, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. Harry may have to make the ultimate sacrifice. (DVS)						(10:53) *** "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1" (2010, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. (DVS)				
WE	68	166		Criminal Minds "Rock Creek Park"	Criminal Minds "Beyond Borders"			Criminal Minds "A Place at the Table"	Criminal Minds "Mr. Scratch"	Criminal Minds "Protection"	Criminal Minds				
WGNA	8	172		Blue Bloods (DVS)	NewsNation (N) (Live)			NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation	NewsNation				

Five-part series 'Empires of New York' begins on CNBC

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

Paul Giamatti ("Billions") lends his voice to "Empires of New York" (8 p.m. Sunday, CNBC), narrating a tabloid fantasy disguised as a history of the 1980s. "Empires" profiles seminal figures from the period, junk-bond king Ivan Boesky, hotelier and "Queen of Mean" Leona Helmsley, gangster John Gotti, prosecutor and future mayor Rudolph Giuliani and media-savvy developer and future president Donald Trump.

The five-part series runs through Dec. 27, chronicling a decade that saw New York City rise from squalor and bankruptcy to a kind of feisty glitz, even if much of it was financed by sketchy debt and speculation.

Curiously absent among its major profiles are Ed Koch, the mayor associated with the city's 1980s turnaround, and Australian media mogul Rupert Murdoch, who used the tabloid *New York Post* and later his Fox empire to celebrate law and order politics, tax-cut conservatism, sleazy celebrity gossip and vulgar and ostentatious displays of wealth. Both were more influential at the time than the five profiled in "Empires."

There's a certain sleazy audacity to this series. Three of its five main figures spent time in prison and the remaining two, Trump and Giuliani, have uncertain legal futures.

Above all, it presents a "legend" of the 1980s with a certain slapdash approach to history and fact. Early in the first episode, while covering the 1980 election, Ronald Reagan is referred to as "an unlikely candidate" who had come out of nowhere. That would have come as a surprise to anybody who had seen him almost wrest the nomination from sitting president Gerald Ford in 1976. Calling Reagan, always a front-runner in 1980, "unlikely" flies in the face of reality. But tabloids don't report events, they shape them to their narrative.

Curiously, "Empires" airs as New York City undergoes an economic meltdown and identity crisis. New York isn't the broken-down city depicted in the beginning of "Empires," but its future may be even more uncertain.

- Directed by Errol Morris ("Thin Blue Line"), *"My Psychedelic Love Story"* (9 p.m. Sunday, Showtime, TV-14) recalls a curious chapter in the history of the counterculture.
- Employing striking graphics, reenactments and period footage and photography, "Love Story" offers an extended interview with Joanna Harcourt-Smith, who spent her 20s as the lover of LSD guru Timothy Leary, when he was on the run from the U.S. government after being sprung from prison by the Weather Underground.
- Recalling a hallucinogenic odyssey that took them from Switzerland to Kabul, Harcourt-Smith's recollections

evoke the political paranoia of the time. She wonders aloud if the entire escapade wasn't some elaborate trap set up by the government to ensnare Leary, a former Harvard professor condemned by President Nixon as the most dangerous man in America.

Fans of Morris' documentaries are used to his habit of following peculiar characters down rabbit holes. But for all of her youthful beauty and exotic radical chic, Harcourt-Smith is an unreliable narrator. What would you expect of somebody who took acid every day for years?

Her story seems better suited as one chapter in a richer tale. Spending the better part of two hours with her is wearisome. I learned more about her story reading her obituary. Harcourt-Smith died on Oct. 11, 2020.

- Just a day after Disney+ debuted its new "Black Beauty," HBO presents *"The Call of the Wild"* (8 p.m. Saturday), a 2020 adaptation of Jack London's 1903 novel. The modern-day "Beauty" relates the tale of a mustang ripped from the wild to the posh domesticity of a Long Island paddock. "Wild" sticks closer to London's story of a family dog taken from the comforts of his California home to the tooth-and-claw savagery of the frozen north.
- "Call of the Wild" may concern the turn-of-the-century Yukon country, but the movie tells a tale of 2020. As it stands, the film is considered a commercial failure, but only because it was yanked from theaters in March, as COVID-19 struck. It actually made more money in its second week, a rarity for big-budget wide releases. Some critics quibbled about the special effects, but were generally pleased with Harrison Ford's performance and narration.
- Alan Cumming hosts *"Masterpiece: 50 Fabulous Years"* (8 p.m., PBS). The special glances back at the Sunday-night institution that has aired such favorites as "I, Claudius," (1976); "Bleak House" (1985 and 2005); "Prime Suspect" (1991); and "House of Cards" (1991) over the years.

SATURDAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

- College football action includes LSU at Texas A&M (7 p.m., ESPN), Oklahoma at West Virginia (7:30 p.m., ABC) and Arizona at UCLA (8 p.m., Fox).
- John O'Hurley ("Seinfeld") hosts *"The National Dog Show"* (8 p.m., NBC, r), with insights and commentary from David Frei and Mary Carillo.
- Plans go awry in the 2020 holiday romance *"Merry Liddle Christmas Wedding"* (8 p.m., Lifetime).
- The voices of Ed Asner, Betty White and Tim Curry animate the 1996 special *"The Story of Santa Claus"* (9 p.m., CBS, TV-G).
- A bride-to-be welcomes the embrace of her dance instructor after her wed-



Chris Rock stars as Loy Cannon in the "Storia Americana" season four finale episode of "Fargo," airing at 10 p.m. Sunday on FX.

ding is canceled in the 2020 romance *"The Christmas Waltz"* (9 p.m., Hallmark, TV-G).

SUNDAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

- Scheduled on *"60 Minutes"* (7:30 p.m., CBS): An interview with Department of Homeland Security director Chris Krebs, fired by the White House; the discovery of a historic shipwreck thought to be a slave ship; a profile of James Corden.
- As Reagan cuts benefits and social programs while cutting taxes, his first lady takes the brunt of media criticism on *"The Reagans"* (8 p.m., Showtime, TV-PG).
- The Green Bay Packers host the Chicago Bears in *NFL action* (8:20 p.m., NBC).
- Eddie Murphy and Arsenio Hall star in the 1988 comedy *"Coming to America"* (9 p.m., CBS, TV-14).
- Grace puts family first in the season finale of *"The Undoing"* (9 p.m., HBO, TV-MA).
- Loy is given a business lesson on the season finale of *"Fargo"* (10 p.m., FX, TV-MA).
- Barbara's sister's story emerges on *"Murder on Middle Beach"* (10:10 p.m., HBO, TV-MA).

p.m., ABC, TV-PG) * Few options for Talon on *"The Outpost"* (9 p.m., CW, TV-14) * First encounters on *"Family Guy"* (9:30 p.m., r, Fox, TV-14) * *"Card Sharks"* (10 p.m., ABC, TV-PG).

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Left for dead, twice, RadioShack gets another shot online

SILVER SPRING, Md. (AP) — RadioShack, a fixture at the mall for decades, has been pulled from the brink of death, again.

It's the most prized name in the basket of brands that entrepreneur investors Alex Mehr and Tai Lopez have scooped up since the coronavirus pandemic bowled over the U.S. retail sector and sent a number of chains into bankruptcy protection. Those brands so far include Pier1, Dressbarn and Modell's.

Mehr and Lopez plan to make RadioShack competitive again, this time online, rather than on street corners or in malls. However, unlike RadioShack's glory years, it's Amazon's world now.

The big question is: How much value does the Ra-

dioShack brand have when the prized target audience of younger consumers may have never owned a radio, let alone stepped inside a RadioShack store?

"It's a very thin line between being iconic and being dead," said Robert Passikoff, founder and president of Brand Keys Inc., a marketing and research consultancy.

Success is something that's been in RadioShack's rear-view mirror for quite some time. The company, which would celebrate its 100th birthday in 2021, appeared to be on top of the tech world in the pre-personal computer days of the late 1970s and early 1980s, the place kids and hobbyists would go to buy radios, walkie-talkies and all the parts to fix them or even build them themselves.

Somewhere along the way, "The Shack" got lost. Unable to capitalize on the PC boom that began in the mid-'80s, it also found itself largely on the outside of the portable device revolution of the aughts and drifting toward irrelevancy. It booked its last profit in 2011. After store redesigns and other changes failed to draw customers, the Fort Worth, Texas, company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in 2015 and then again two years later.

Mehr and Lopez have no designs on rebuilding the brick-and-mortar RadioShack empire. But they say there is a path back to profitability, and it all starts with the name.

"We bought the raw material to build a big business," Mehr said. "Brand means trust. And the brand is very, very strong. I

have quantifiable data that the brand is very strong."

Mehr said REV's formula for measuring public opinion of a brand differs significantly from the way other experts value such things, including their own polling and analysis of how the company might work in a specific "ecosystem."

The plan, in short, is to build a vast online marketplace on top of the RadioShack brand. Trust in that name will get consumers to the site, where the quality and variety of merchandise will dictate whether shoppers click the "Buy" button, they say.

Since it was founded in 2019, REV has been in the hunt for other names that could once be described as "household." It's turned Pier1, Dressbarn and Modell's into online-first busi-

nesses.

REV says that its much leaner RadioShack will sell from its own website and an Amazon storefront. RadioShack was the place to go for batteries, phone chargers and headphones. Those are products that Amazon sells under its own brand name in vast quantities.

And therein lies REV's challenge. Megachains like Walmart and Target have been able to slow Amazon's encroachment, but Amazon is the ultimate disrupter.

"Amazon is the Death Star," said Allen Adamson, co-founder of the marketing strategy firm Metaforce.

Yet Mehr doesn't look at Amazon as a competitor. Rather, he said, it's another channel where RadioShack can sell its products.

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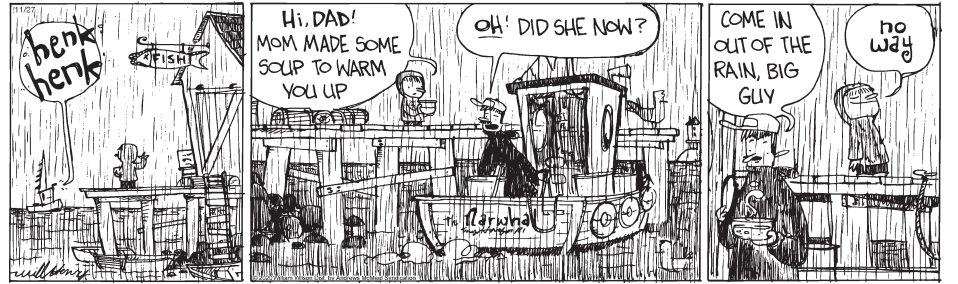
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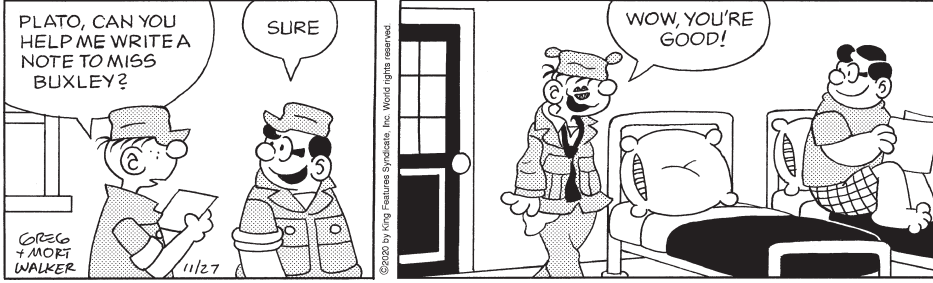
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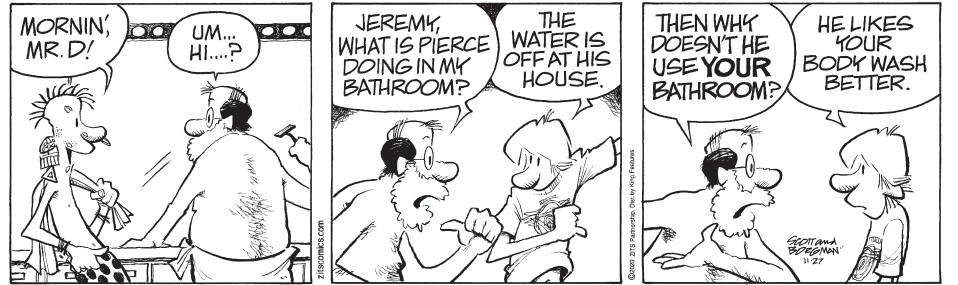
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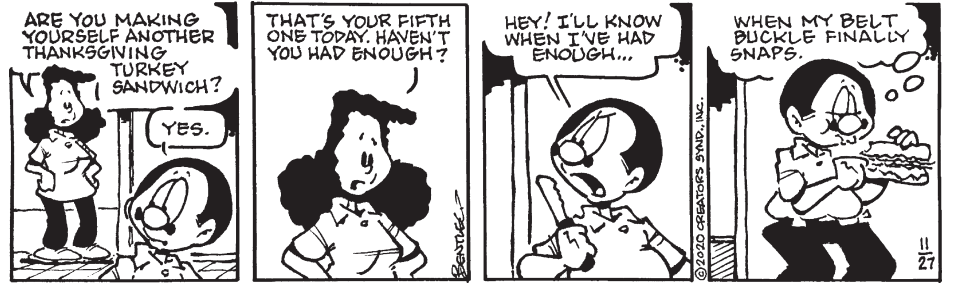
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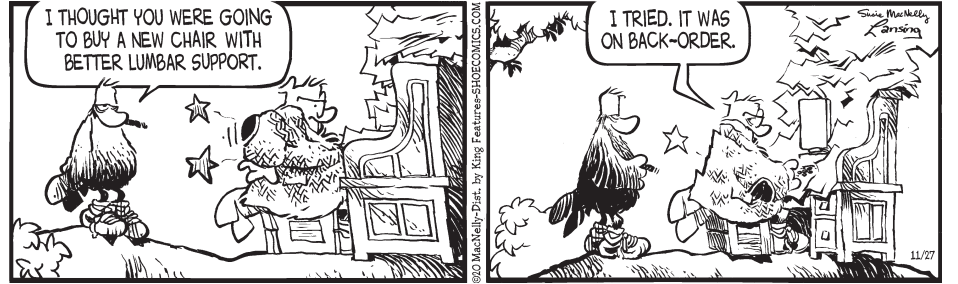
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Gift of Christmas cookies is sweet, but a problem



Dear Abby
ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY — Every year for the last 15 years or so, my husband's sister has sent us a huge box of homemade cookies for Christmas. My husband is from a large family, and she does

this for each family. I know it involves a great deal of time and effort on her part, and she sends them via priority mail, which means an additional expense.

The problem is, we don't eat cookies. Weight is a concern for both of us, and I avoid sugar or sugar products as I don't believe they are healthy. Before

we retired, we took the cookies to work to get rid of them or they were thrown out. Many years ago, I asked my mother-in-law what to do so as to not cause hard feelings. She advised, "Don't say anything; she needs something to keep her busy." I then asked a brother-in-law how he handled the unwanted cookies. He said, "Throw them away or give them away, but DON'T TELL HER."

My SIL suffers from mild depression, and everyone tiptoes lightly around the issue to avoid upsetting her. I feel bad that she has spent time and money on these unwanted cookies all these years. No one on that side of the family has ever said anything, and perhaps, many of them enjoy the cookies. Evidently even a carefully worded "thank

you, but we can't consume them" note would cause family problems. I tried not sending an acknowledgment; the cookies kept coming. What's your suggestion?

Sweet problem in Connecticut

DEAR SWEET PROBLEM — I suggest you keep things the way they are. Your sister-in-law needs something to occupy her mind and give her a sense of purpose during a time of year when people can become depressed. Get creative. Those cookies might be appreciated by a church group, a residence for seniors or even holiday gifts for your neighbors if you repackage them.

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JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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(Answers tomorrow)

Jumbles: FLEET PLUNK BELOW LAWYER
Answer: When it comes to Thanksgiving turkey, he tended to eat a lot, which he knew full well!

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Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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THE DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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Gary Larson

ACROSS

- 1 Easter beginning?
- 4 Small amount
- 10 Hot tub with a whirlpool
- 13 Period often with a name
- 14 Ring of color
- 15 Welcoming
- 16 Observe music festival performers?
- 18 Russian
- 19 Small battery type
- 20 One snugly in bed, say
- 22 2018 SAG Life Achievement Award recipient
- 23 Ukr., once
- 24 Comment not meant for everyone
- 27 Wish undone
- 29 Vegas attractions
- 31 Ones who take things badly?
- 34 Freudian topics
- 35 Word of encouragement
- 38 Observe woodworking tools?
- 40 Full house sign
- 41 Plays (with)

- 43 Brimming
- 45 Washington Monument, for one
- 47 Had an intense longing
- 51 Vagabonds
- 52 Abe's role in "The Godfather"
- 54 Video recorder since 1999
- 55 Java products
- 58 Kind of horn
- 59 Clinton's 1996 opponent
- 61 Observe bank drafts?
- 63 Punches in a workshop
- 64 Oxygen-loving organism
- 65 Three-way joint
- 66 Okay
- 67 Wee
- 68 Old boomer

- 10 Observe engagement jewelry?
- 11 Capital of Portugal?
- 12 ___-Man: Marvel hero
- 15 Baby's bodysuit
- 17 First name in superhero lore
- 21 Syllables in some madrigals
- 23 Has the wheel
- 25 Way out
- 26 Canadian gas
- 28 Trains over the road
- 29 Shade of black
- 30 Too
- 32 Cheat, in a way
- 33 Sugar amt.
- 35 "However," in tweets

- 36 Western wolf
- 37 Observe fancy dances?
- 39 Apt name for a chef?
- 42 Math class calculations
- 44 First name in cosmetics
- 46 DSL provider
- 48 Colors
- 49 Calls up
- 50 English sheep breed
- 52 Set aside for later
- 53 Starter for 007's car?
- 56 Future JD's hurdle
- 57 Blunted sword
- 58 Unnamed ones
- 59 Calendar square
- 60 Run a tab, say
- 62 "Survivor" station

DOWN

- 1 It has a smell named for it
- 2 Soothsayer
- 3 Like many Disney films
- 4 Wonka's creator
- 5 Venus or Mars
- 6 Depends (on)
- 7 Norman Bates, thankfully
- 8 Cutlass, e.g.
- 9 Over and done with

Previous Puzzle Solved

C	H	I	P	A	S	T	S	E	G	A	L		
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STORE FROM PAGE A1

at Augusta National Golf Course — home of the annual Masters Tournament — and 14 years at Greenville Country Club, Pedersen comes with an extensive resume and said the goal for club owners Greg and Lewis Thompson is to make Quixote Club an elite course.

The club also has a philanthropic mission as a continual funding source for Liberty STEAM Charter School, Sumter's first public charter school, set to open its doors tuition-free to students next school year.

The elite course and its overall mission to support ongoing, high-quality, free public education helps to give Quixote Club regional and national appeal for membership, Pedersen said. And when traveling into Sumter, many of those members will stay at the Hyatt and then be potential customers at Grady Ervin, located next door to the hotel.

A long-term goal for Quixote is to have 150 local members and 150 national members, who are located outside a 75-mile radius of Sumter, Pedersen added.

"The national members who I am trying to get to join will be the ones who will come to our community, go downtown, spend money downtown and stay at the Hyatt Place," Pedersen said. "We will get them back and forth to the golf course, and they will see Sumter as a place for them to go for a retreat for 12 people or so or other ideas."

Jay Davis, broker-in-charge of Coldwell Banker Commercial Cornerstone located upstairs from Grady Ervin, added that the golf course is helping with development in the downtown area.

"I think what is happening at the Quixote Club golf course, the thought is that a lot of people are going to be traveling and staying at the hotel downtown and playing



Grady Ervin and Co., at 2 N. Main St., opened this week and carries Hickey Freeman, Samuelsohn, Peter Millar, Barbour and Martin Dingman. Handmade leather goods and accessories are also available.

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Grady Ervin and Co. manager Joe O'Connor and coworker Norma Roberts Stone are seen inside the upscale men's clothing store on Wednesday.

GRADY ERVIN & CO.

Where: 2 N. Main St., Sumter, SC 29150
Hours: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Phone: (803) 774-2447



PHOTOS PROVIDED

Aerial views show Sumter's redesigned Quixote Club golf course that opens to local members next week.

golf out there," Davis said. "So, that's got some positive energy going, too, that's helping with higher-end stores trying to locate in downtown."

Grady Ervin and Co.'s manager

in Sumter is Joe O'Connor, who previously spent 16 years as a director for Peter Millar, a premium lifestyle brand based in Raleigh, North Carolina.

According to O'Connor, brands

at the men's store include Hickey Freeman, Samuelsohn, Peter Millar, Barbour and Martin Dingman. Handmade leather goods and accessories are also available, he said.

MEALS FROM PAGE A1

drive-through with volunteers placing food boxes inside the cars rather than socializing while the recipients choose their food.

Most of the volunteers for the program were military personnel and others who work or volunteer at the ministry.

Champagne said a few people couldn't make it on Tuesday, so families also stopped by the ministry on Wednesday to pick up their dinner box.

However, they did exceed their turkey giveaway goal of 150 families for the drive-through event.

"It worked perfectly," Champagne said.

He was glad for the extra help from volunteers and military personnel and perfect weather to perform the holiday drive-through. With plenty of turkeys left over from the event, he said they will be placed in their food pantry to use for the next holiday and year-round.



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Volunteers distribute dinner boxes filled with turkeys and other Thanksgiving food items at Sumter United Ministries on Tuesday.

CHAMPAGNE FROM PAGE A1

award given in McElveen's 20 years as mayor beginning under his tenure in 2006, and this will be his last award recognition he bestows as he leaves office on Nov. 30.

Champagne expressed that while it has his name engraved on it, the award is for all the

ministry's staff and volunteers for their continuous service to the community. Nonetheless, he is grateful for the recognition by the mayor and thankful to God for helping those in need in the community.

SUM board Chairman Jim McCain, who is also chairman of Sumter County Council, congratulated Champagne on Facebook, sharing his excitement and showing photos of

the presentation with a heartfelt message.

"As chairman of the board of Sumter United Ministries, I was honored to witness our executive director, Mark Champagne, being presented the Gamecock City Award by Mayor Joe McElveen," McCain wrote. "We are proud of Mark and the services that the ministry provides to the Sumter Community."

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COMMENTARY

Country should give thanks to the Chosin Few

WASHINGTON — Seventy Thanksgivings ago, Pfc. Warren Wiedhahn was 21, far from home and freezing. During a winter of record cold, nighttime temperatures were more than 30 degrees below zero in the North Korean mountains. The day after Thanksgiving, as Wiedhahn peered at the ridge across the valley from his listening post, suddenly “whistles and bells and bugles” — modes of communication for a People’s Liberation Army that also used Mongolian ponies and camels — revealed that hordes of Chinese soldiers wanted to kill him.

He says he and his fellow Marines burned out the barrels of their machine guns and ran out of ammunition that day, and that much worse was to come. He had craved adventure, and found it.

Born in Upstate New York, too late for World War II, he, like many teenagers then, thought he had missed an adventure. And he thought his brother-in-law, who had been wounded at Guadalcanal, “looked good in his [Marine

dress] blues.” So, Wiedhahn enlisted in the Marine Corps after his Methodist mother made him swear on her Bible that, after his three-year commitment, he would go to college.

After a deployment in China, he was stationed at Camp Pendleton north of San Diego, where on June 24, 1950, a bartender asked him and a friend, “Are you Marines? Better get up to Pendleton because you’re going to war.” Told that North



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Korea had invaded South Korea, Wiedhahn’s friend wondered where Korea was. God, Mark Twain supposedly said, created war so that Americans would learn geography.

His unit of the 1st Marine Division immediately plunged into combat at Pusan on the peninsula’s southern tip, where South Korean and U.S. forces were besieged. On Sept. 15, his regiment participated in the most daring op-

eration of Gen. Douglas MacArthur’s 44-year career, the amphibious landing at Incheon, some 200 miles north of Pusan, near Seoul. And near North Korea, where MacArthur soon made the worst blunder of his career — dividing his forces while ignoring evidence that China would intervene in force.

MacArthur had told President Harry S. Truman at Wake Island on Oct. 15 that “organized resistance will be terminated by Thanksgiving.” Eager to reach the Yalu River along the North Korea-China border, MacArthur ordered the 1st Marine Division to make an amphibious landing on North Korea’s eastern shore and march north to the Chosin Reservoir.

There it became cut off, surrounded by 100,000 of the eventually 300,000 Chinese troops on the peninsula. The 1st Division’s commander, Gen. Oliver P. Smith, said, “We’re going to come out like Marines, fighting!” Intrepid airmen, pushing their aircraft to their limits in the thin air of the mountains, parachuted in enormous components for rebuilding a blown bridge, a harrowing

tale told in Hampton Sides’ magnificent history of the Chosin campaign, “On Desperate Ground.”

Wiedhahn says “what saved us” in the fighting withdrawal from Chosin was “the World War II leadership,” the noncommissioned Marine officers who had fought from Guadalcanal to Peleliu to Okinawa. And Navy and Marine aircraft flying off carriers. In retirement, Wiedhahn still runs a tour business, taking veterans to battle sites from Belleau Wood in France to, next summer, Iwo Jima. On a trip to Beijing, he met four People’s Liberation Army veterans who had fought at Chosin. When he asked them what they had feared most, they instantly replied, “Your aircraft.”

Wiedhahn recalls that during two weeks of nonstop fighting, some of it hand to hand, during the march to safety, medics, overwhelmed by severely wounded Marines, had to practice triage medicine: Dying Marines, “put outside the tent, froze to death.”

After the Marines — including the father of Gen. Joseph F. Dunford Jr., the

chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 2015 to 2019 — reached the North Korean city of Hungnam and ships that took them to safety, the ships returned for the “Christmas miracle.” Between Dec. 15 and 24, more than 86,000 refugees were evacuated to South Korea, including the parents of Moon Jae-in, the current president of South Korea.

Since ending a 32-year Marine career (mom was content when he became an officer) that included 1968-1969 near Vietnam’s demilitarized zone, Wiedhahn has lived in Northern Virginia, in a community with many immigrants from Korea — “all good friends and all good neighbors.” He is president of the dwindling ranks of “The Chosin Few,” the organization of that battle’s veterans.

Trim and energetic at 91, Wiedhahn had little to be thankful for 70 years ago. His nation should give thanks for him and others like him, including hundreds who are still in North Korea’s mountains.

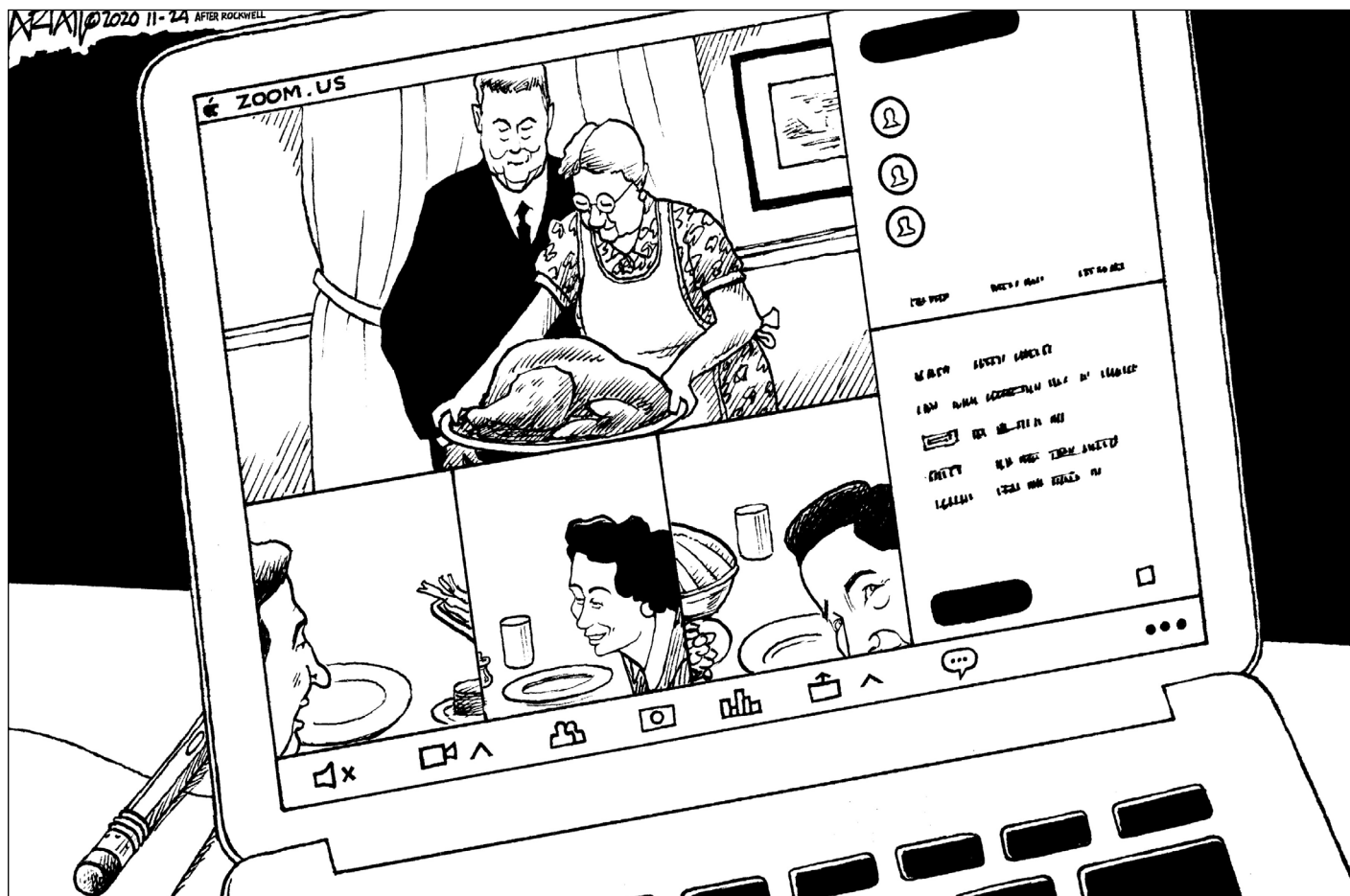
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COMMENTARY

Normalcy resumes when leadership unites

And Isaac was 40 years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padanaram, the sister to Laban the Syrian. 21 And Isaac entreated the LORD for his wife, because she was barren: and the LORD was entreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived. 22 And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If it be so, why am I thus? And she went to enquire of the LORD. 23 And the LORD said unto her, Two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger. (Gen 25:20-23)

Rebecca, the wife of Isaac, was expecting with twins who were at odds with each other in their mother’s womb. What an ordeal that must have been, carrying twins who fought when they should have been thriving to survive trimester challenges. Human nature is a wonder to behold. The twins demonstrated contrasting personalities before they were born. The babies were born and given the names Esau and Jacob. The elder, Esau, was first, and Jacob came second, holding on to Esau’s heel. The scimmages in

the womb were about to become real and in person.

The boys grew up, and Jacob eventually tricked Esau out of his birthright. He then finalized the deal by partnering with his mother to deceive Isaac, his dad, for Esau’s blessings. When Esau found out what Jacob did and the fact that his father did not have anything else to bless him with, he was furious with Jacob. After the mourning of Isaac, Esau planned to slay Jacob. Jacob, at the



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command of his mother, Rebekah, ran for his life to Haran, the home of his uncle Laban.

The division between two people grew into two nations that were at odds with each other because of the beef between two leaders. It is so difficult for me to believe just how easy it is for an individual to assemble followers in just about anything he or she believes.

There are still people who believe that the shooting at Columbine High never happened. The proponents of this belief have hundreds of followers, even after 15 people were killed

by the perpetrator!

Both Jacob and Esau became fruitful and multiplied, but for Jacob, his life was like a roller coaster. He encountered one failed plan after another, compounded by deception after deception toward him.

The word of God never fails, “Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap,” Galatians 6:7. Jacob sowed deception, and he was constantly opposed by deception.

Years later, Jacob and Esau met face to face. Jacob did not know what to expect from the brother he had deceived. We find this unexpected setting in Genesis 33:1-4, And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau came, and with him 400 men. And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel, and unto the two handmaids. And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph hindermost. And he passed over before them, and bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother. And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and they wept.

Look at Jacob, thinking about himself and the people he loved the

most. He put the handmaids, their children and Leah and her children up front. He and Rachel were at the rear of the pack.

Nevertheless, God gave Jacob favor with Esau; they both embraced each other and wept. The following verses are the icing and the cherry on the cake. 9 And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; keep that thou hast unto thyself. Jacob then said unto Esau, 10 Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in thy sight, then receive my present at my hand: for therefore I have seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wast pleased with me. 11 Take, I pray thee, my blessing that is brought to thee; because God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough. And he urged him, and he took it.

Wow, God blessed them both even in the midst of deception and anguish. We have groupings of nations at odds in the United States; in reality, however, a gracious God has enough for all of us to be fruitful and multiply!

Yes, we can live together in this nation!

Sam Livingston is pastor of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Manning.

THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

GOVERNMENT — The following will be **closed** today: state government offices; City of Sumter offices; Sumter County offices; Clarendon County offices; City of Manning offices; Lee County offices; and City of Bishopville offices.

SCHOOLS — The following will be **closed** today: Clarendon School District 1, Clarendon School District 2, Clarendon School District 3, Thomas Sumter Academy, Clarendon Hall, Lee County Public Schools, Lee Academy, Wilson Hall, Laurence Manning Academy, Sumter Christian School, Sumter School District, USC Sumter, Central Carolina Technical College and Morris College.

UTILITIES — Black River Electric Coop. and Farmers Telephone Coop. will be **closed** today.

OTHER — Clemson Extension Service and the Greater Sumter Chamber of Commerce will be **closed** today.

The Sumter County Library and the Harvin Clarendon County Library will be **closed** today.
The Sumter Item will **close** at 3 p.m. today.

AROUND TOWN

EDITOR'S NOTE: Please note that due to the threat of COVID-19, some events may be cancelled or rescheduled unexpectedly.

The Sumter Police Department's Cram-A-Cruiser Toy Drive will accept donations of new, unwrapped toys from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Walmart, 1283 Broad St., on the following Saturdays: Nov. 28, Dec. 5

and Dec. 12. Call (803) 436-2700.

The Sumter County Museum's annual wreath workshop will be held 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 1, and 1-3 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 2. The museum is located at 122 N. Washington St. Cost is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. Call (803) 775-0908 or visit www.sumter-countymuseum.org.

The last word in astrology

EUGENIA LAST

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Look at your finances, and sort out what

it's going to cost to get what you want. An investment will change the way you live. Don't give in to uncertainty. Research and a solid partnership will pay off.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Dive into something that excites you, and the outcome will be rejuvenating. Take a look at how you can manipulate a situation to improve your position, status or reputation. A meaningful relationship can help you get what you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Evaluate your relationships, and consider who is right for you. Information you receive will push you to update personal documents and to prepare for upcoming changes you need to make. Physical activities will help alleviate stress.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Promote what you intend to do, and stand by your word. The moves you make will improve your life and encourage better relationships with people who share your objectives. A romantic gesture will bring you closer to someone you love.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't feel you have to change how you do things because someone else does; be yourself and do what feels right. Personal improvements will make you feel and look good. Don't let anyone confuse or mislead you. Focus on personal gain.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): The information you pick up will verify something that you expected all along. Put the changes you want to make in motion, and start a dialogue with someone you love to collaborate with or be around. Romance is

avored.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Finish what you start. If you leave something undone, you'll have to answer for any delays. Don't put pressure on others or bend to someone's whims. Make plans to do what is healthy and best for you. Learn from your mistakes.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll have plenty on your mind. Don't confuse issues by trying to do everything at once. Structure your day to help you achieve things. Verify the information you receive before you pass it along. Plan something special for you and someone you love.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Stick to home, and make yourself comfortable. Move things around to give yourself the space you need to pursue a project you want to start. Keep your whereabouts, intentions and personal information secret. Be more observant and less demonstrative.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Take an interest in home, family and building a better life for you and those you love. An open dialogue will give you a better understanding of what others want and how best to maintain balance in meaningful relationships. Romance is featured.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Structure your time carefully. Look for ways to use your attributes to help you get ahead. Your efforts won't go unnoticed. Don't let a change someone makes at the last minute upset you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A positive change to how you earn your keep will develop. How you express yourself will make an impression on someone who can help you. A unique idea or plan will encourage you to update your skills. Romance is favored.

WEATHER

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AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
76°	52°	67° / 44°	65° / 56°	65° / 32°	48° / 29°
Chance of rain: 20%	Chance of rain: 10%	Chance of rain: 20%	Chance of rain: 25%	Chance of rain: 65%	Chance of rain: 15%
W 4-8 mph	VAR 2-4 mph	NNE 4-8 mph	ENE 6-12 mph	WSW 12-25 mph	WSW 10-20 mph

TODAY'S SOUTH CAROLINA WEATHER

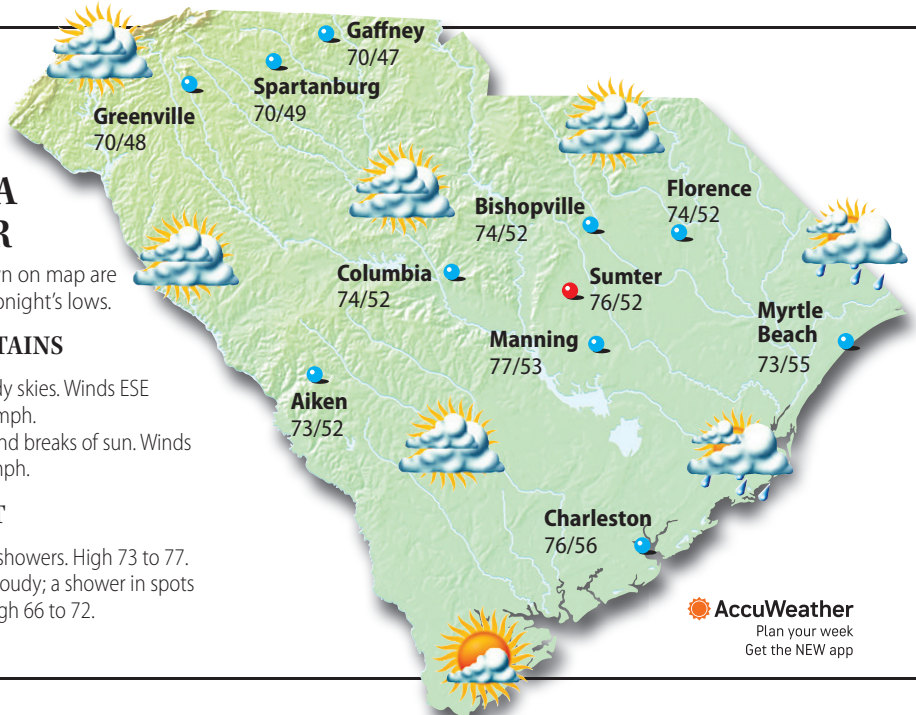
Temperatures shown on map are today's highs and tonight's lows.

IN THE MOUNTAINS

Today: Mostly cloudy skies. Winds ESE becoming SSW 3-6 mph.
Saturday: Clouds and breaks of sun. Winds east-northeast 4-8 mph.

ON THE COAST

Today: A couple of showers. High 73 to 77.
Saturday: Mostly cloudy; a shower in spots in southern parts. High 66 to 72.



LOCAL ALMANAC

SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	High	Low	Normal high	Normal low	Record high	Record low
	67°	61°	63°	38°	79° in 1973	16° in 1950

Precipitation	24 hrs ending 2 p.m. yest.	Month to date	Normal month to date	Year to date	Last year to date	Normal year to date
	0.46"	2.85"	2.50"	53.71"	33.56"	43.32"

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	360	356.12	-0.04
Murray	360	356.12	-0.04
Marion	76.8	75.60	-0.10
Moultrie	75.5	74.01	+0.06
Wateree	100	98.52	-0.55

RIVER STAGES

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	8.80	-0.25
Congaree River	19	5.67	+1.36
Lynches River	14	6.75	-0.37
Saluda River	14	5.81	+1.02
Up. Santee River	80	79.65	-0.42
Wateree River	24	16.67	+0.05

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	7:06 a.m.	Sunset	5:13 p.m.
Moonrise	3:52 p.m.	Moonset	4:26 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
Nov. 30	Dec. 7	Dec. 14	Dec. 21

TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH				
	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	6:47 a.m.	3.2	1:09 a.m.	0.3
	7:08 p.m.	2.9	1:48 p.m.	0.6
Sat.	7:28 a.m.	3.3	1:49 a.m.	0.2
	7:49 p.m.	2.8	2:30 p.m.	0.5

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Sat.
Atlanta	71/53/c	65/47/c
Chicago	46/28/pc	49/34/s
Dallas	60/47/c	52/41/t
Detroit	49/31/pc	47/31/s
Houston	75/62/r	65/52/r
Los Angeles	70/45/s	72/47/s
New Orleans	77/65/sh	70/63/t
New York	60/48/pc	56/40/s
Oriando	82/63/s	81/63/pc
Philadelphia	62/45/s	57/37/s
Phoenix	66/45/s	70/45/s
San Francisco	61/43/s	62/43/s
Wash., DC	61/48/s	58/39/pc

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SUMTER SPCA PETS OF THE WEEK



FAR LEFT: Frog is a 6-month-old brindle-and-white hound mix. He is an active and energetic boy who loves to run and play. Frog's owner passed away so he is now looking for a new forever home.

LEFT: Apollo is a housebroken 9-month-old black-and-white male American short-hair. He is great with other cats and even dogs. Apollo is a sweet guy who is active, playful and fun, but can be a laid-back lazy boy as well. He would make a great new buddy for any family.

The Sumter SPCA is located at 1140 S. Guignard Drive, (803) 773-9292, and is open 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. every day except Wednesday and Sunday. Visit the website at www.sumterspcpa.com.

The SPCA relies heavily on community support and donations. Currently, the biggest needs are for dry puppy and kitten food, wet cat food, cat litter and cleaning supplies. The following are also appreciated: Newspapers, stuffed animals, heavy duty trash bags (30 gallon or larger), dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, bleach, paper towels, sheets and comforters, baby blankets, canned dog and cat food, dry dog food, treats, leashes and collars, disinfectant spray, all-purpose cleaner, air freshener, no scratch scrubbers, two-sided sponges for dishes, litter freshener and, of course, monetary donations are also gratefully accepted.

Gamecocks to battle against 4-time defending state champ Dutch Fork

BY DENNIS BRUNSON
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Mark Barnes knows the task facing his Sumter High School football team on Friday. The Gamecocks will travel to Irmo on Friday to take on Dutch Fork in a 5A state playoffs semifinal game beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Yes, the Dutch Fork that is going for a fifth straight state title, is 63-1-1 in that time frame and hasn't lost in 48 games.

So how do you approach preparing for a game against such a dominant program?

"You practice like you do every other week," said Barnes, whose 8-0 team will be trying to bring an end to the title run of the 8-0 Silver Foxes. "We have all the respect for their program as a whole, and I respect (DFHS head coach) Tom (Knotts) a lot. They're where we want to be. They're the type of program we want to be, and we want to get to that point."

And Barnes believes his players are ready for the moment.

"I'm extremely confident that we're going to go in and battle," he said. "Whether we'll win or not, I don't know, but I



Sumter running back Nathan Harris-Waynick, center, and the Gamecocks will travel to Irmo on Friday to face off against 4-time defending state champion Dutch Fork in the 5A lower state championship game beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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really feel like we're ready for the opportunity. I'm confident that we can go there and play well.

"As a football program, you want to be involved in these types of games. We're excited for the opportunity. Good teams get to play in these types of games. We're excited to go battle them. You want to beat the team that is sitting on top."

Dutch Fork advanced to the lower state championship game with a 63-42 triumph over Carolina Forest. The Foxes

have outscored the opposition 374-88 this season.

The Foxes went about things a bit differently against Carolina Forest than they had the first seven games. Quarterback Will Taylor ran for 225 yards and five touchdowns after having rushed for 52 yards entering the game.

"We knew he was a great athlete, that he was a good thrower and really fast," Barnes said of Taylor, who passed for 131 yards and another score. "We have to do a good job of not let-

ting him get out and turn broken plays, scramble plays, into big plays. We've got to make them earn their way down the field. We've been really good at that."

DFHS is balanced offensively, even though it averages almost 90 passing yards more a game. It averages 248 passing yards to 159 rushing yards.

Taylor, a Clemson commitment, has completed 118 of 177 passes for 1,877 yards and 19 touchdowns against three interceptions. Dutch Fork has

two receivers with 41 receptions, Elijah Spencer and Antonio Williams. Spencer has 787 yards and 11 touchdowns, while Williams has 671 yards and seven TDs.

Jarvis Green is the leading rusher with 521 yards and 11 scores on 87 carries. Marcus Taylor has 347 yards and five touchdowns on 56 carries.

The SHS defense has been dominant all season, allowing just 83 points and an average of 177 yards of total offense a game. With a unit that has five players holding Football Bowl Subdivision offers and several others getting collegiate interest, Barnes is looking for more of the same.

"We have a defense with a lot of good players, and we expect them to play well," Barnes said. "We can't give up explosive plays or give them short drives. One thing we don't want to do is get in a shootout with them. That's not our style."

In its 25-13 quarterfinal win over River Bluff, Sumter shut down the triple-option offense. The Gators, who were averaging 209.8 rushing yards, were held to 51 rushing yards.

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Sumter basketball taking season one day at a time amidst pandemic

BY TIM LEIBLE
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As football season draws to an end, basketball is beginning to jump to the front of people's minds. Sumter High School, meanwhile, is trapped in the middle.

The Gamecock football team is in the midst of the 5A playoffs, which leaves the boys basketball team short-handed as its season begins. The coronavirus, of course, adds in an entirely new wrinkle to this season.

SHS head coach Bryan Brown isn't shy about the fact that this year is different, but he thinks his players have done a fine job of handling any challenges.

"It's totally different. I'm sure that everybody is dealing with the same thing, and we're just kind of rolling with the punches," said Brown, who enters his second year at Sumter. "We're taking it day by day and trying to stay as stress-free with the process as possible. The biggest thing is just being extra cautious, knowing that one incident can set us back, so we're just trying to be extra careful and making sure we're crossing our Ts and dotting our Is."

Brown said there are certainly some early challenges due to the virus, but the biggest one was also a common complaint from coaches this fall - conditioning. The Gamecocks weren't able to have a proper offseason in the gym, so they're behind where they'd like to be in a lot of areas, but conditioning is at the forefront. That's made more evident when the roster is smaller, as several players are still finishing up their football seasons.

"I think the biggest part is conditioning, not being able to condition early, so that's given us some concerns as coaches, because this is my first time as a coach starting the season without conditioning first," Brown said. "But I think all the schools are having the same issue, but conditioning has been the biggest thing. And finding the balance between getting us conditioned as soon as possible and get us prepared at the



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Sumter's Leslie Owens Jr. (21) and the Gamecocks are trying to stay positive as they begin their season during the coronavirus pandemic.

same time."

Of course conditioning isn't the only difference in Sumter's practice time. Players are masked up and trying to social distance as much as they can on the court, but it hasn't been much of an issue, according to Brown.

"We just try to do a good job of keeping the guys separated and wearing masks, just following the proper protocols and guidelines set by the state (South Carolina High School League) and the (Sumter School) district," Brown said. "The guys have been cooperating with it and I think we're just adjusting. It's just adversity and that's one of the things we talk about all the time is just being able to persevere through adversity. This is an adverse time and we're just rolling with the punches and doing everything we can do to stay healthy."

Brown also has the luxury of seeing how Sumter managed the virus in the fall, which allows him to take what worked and apply it to the basketball team, while also trying some new things. One area that he wants to really focus on is communication after an offseason where he wasn't able to be as involved with his players as

usual.

"I would try to communicate a little more. I would just say that one of the things I would do different is to just do a little more communicating, stay on top of them a little more," Brown said. "With us not being able to put out hands on them, not being able to know what they're doing (in the fall), I just feel like I would be more comfortable if I was communicating more and just making sure that they're prepared for the season."

Brown is looking forward to having his team at full strength once the football team concludes its season, but he's also not trying to rush those players back either. Brown is hoping those players continue their success on the football field and carry some good momentum with them once they hit the hardwood.

"We're taking a positive approach to it. I think our football team is playing really well, and we have a really good chance to win against Dutch Fork this week, and we're going to use it as momentum," Brown said. "I think if we can get our football guys to take care of

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East Clarendon's Talaysia Cooper (10) was named one of the top eight girls basketball players in the state as the South Carolina Basketball Coaches Association released its preseason awards and polls.

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EC's Cooper elite player; SHS girls ranked second

BY DENNIS BRUNSON
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East Clarendon High School's Talaysia Cooper has been selected as one of the top eight girls basketball players in the state by the South Carolina Basketball Coaches Association in the release of its preseason awards, while the Sumter girls and the Scott's Branch boys are ranked second in their respective preseason polls.

Cooper, a junior, and the Lady Wolverines are ranked third in the 1A girls poll. Cooper had averages of 24.0 points, 15.6 rebounds, 5.6 steals, 5.9 assists and 2.4 blocked shots per game last season. Cooper already has more than 2,000 career points.

Sumter is ranked second in the 5A girls poll behind Clover. The Lady Gamecocks' Layken Cox has been selected as one of the top five seniors in 5A. Cox, who signed with Gardner-Webb

last week, averaged 11.5 points, 8.9 rebounds, 3.9 steals and 2.2 assists.

Scott's Branch is ranked second in the 1A boys poll behind Great Falls.

The Scott's Branch are ranked ninth with Lady Eagle Cambria Parker being named one of 1A's top five seniors. Parker, who has been selected as the 1A Player of the Year, the past two seasons, averaged 16 points, seven rebounds, five assists, five steals and two blocks last season.

Lee Central is ranked ninth in the 2A boys poll even though it will be without DaVeon Thomas. Thomas is now at Ridge View, which is ranked second in 5A.

Thomas averaged 17.6 points, 6.9 rebounds, 3.5 steals, 1.2 blocks and 4.3 assists for the Stallions.

Local top 10 polls can be found on B3. All the top 10 polls are online at theitem.com.

Clemson beats Mississippi St. 53-42 in Space Coast Challenge

MELBOURNE, Fla. (AP) — PJ Hall had 10 points on 5-of-6 shooting and grabbed seven rebounds to help Clemson open the season with a 53-42 win over Mississippi State in the Space Coast Challenge on Wednesday night.

The tournament, originally planned as the Cancun Challenge, was hosted by Eastern Florida State College.

Al-Amir Dawes added 10 points for the Tigers, who pulled away with a 13-2 run to lead 46-30 with 9:13 left in the game. Nick Honor had five points and Alex Hemenway

added four during the burst. The Bulldogs twice closed the deficit to nine but got no closer.

D.J. Stewart Jr. and Tolu Smith led Mississippi State with 12 points each. Smith also grabbed 10 boards.

Clemson's Aamir Simms, who was named to the All-ACC Preseason First-Team, fouled out after playing only eight minutes. He finished with four points on 1-of-5 shooting.

Clemson will face Purdue in the championship and Mississippi State will take on Liberty in the consolation game on Thursday night.

No. 1 South Carolina women rout Charleston in season opener

BY PETE IACOBELLI

The Associated Press

COLUMBIA — Zia Cooke was so excited to get to play again that she could barely sleep. She and her teammates with top-ranked South Carolina picked up where they left off in a runaway victory to start the fragile season.

Victoria Saxton had 19 points and 12 rebounds and Cooke scored 18 points as the Gamecocks overwhelmed Charleston 119-38 on Wednesday for their 27th straight win.

Cooke was worried her team might not get to play at all as the coronavirus pandemic continues to impact college sports as it did last spring, when SEC champion South Carolina missed out on a chance at a national title.

"I had huge worries about that," she said.

The Gamecocks had no worries about their basketball, though.

"Everybody's growing, so it's going to get better and better each year," Cooke said. "We've got so much in store, I'm not going to give away everything we've got."

South Carolina had seven players score in double figures and four had double-doubles, including Aliyah Boston with 11 points and 12 rebounds.

After last season's NCAA Tournament was canceled, this team's goal is simple — finish



South Carolina guard Eniya Russell (2) attempts a shot during the Gamecocks' 119-38 win over Charleston on Wednesday in Columbia.

what it couldn't last spring.

"It felt really great to get back on the court. We were real excited to get back and playing because COVID messed things up for everybody, not only us," Saxton said.

It was the same quick, offensive-minded Gamecocks.

Destanni Henderson made a layup 5 seconds into the game and the South Carolina never looked back. Taylor Williams got the Cougars' first point with a foul shot. After the team missed its first 17 shots, Williams' jumper made it 24-5 with 1:37 left in the opening quarter.

The Gamecocks led 62-20 at the half and Laeticia Amihere's free throw with 7:47 left got them to 100 points for the eighth time in coach Dawn

Staley's 13 seasons.

They soon topped their best-ever showing under Staley, accomplished last year in a 112-32 victory over SC Upstate.

Williams led Charleston with nine points.

Cougars coach Robin Harmony said she gave minutes to young players to help them learn how to handle big situations.

"It's just a matter of everybody watching and learning and saying, 'I'm going to change. I'm going to make this different,'" Harmony said.

There was an eerie atmosphere with only 3,500 people permitted inside 18,000-seat Colonial Life Arena.

South Carolina led the NCAA in average attendance

for women's hoops last year, the powerhouse program drawing 12,218 fans a game. The school had sellouts against UConn and Texas A&M and had the top-three most attended games of last season.

Instead of fans, there were smiling cutouts spaced around the arena and the fans who were there sat far apart.

"Weird is probably right on" about the atmosphere, Staley said. "It's hard after you build something."

The benches were spaced out, too, with individual chairs for coaches and players at least 6 feet away from each other.

Artificial crowd noise made it sound fuller than it was.

South Carolina does not play at home again until Dec. 3, when it faces No. 8 North Carolina State.

BIG PICTURE

Charleston: The Cougars went 13-17 in Harmony's first season, an improvement of six games from a season earlier. Still, Charleston had little chance against the quicker, stronger, more athletic Gamecocks.

South Carolina: The Gamecocks will likely have more difficult tests ahead. They are set to play South Dakota, Oklahoma and No. 21 Gonzaga in a tournament in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

ANTHEM STATEMENT

Ten of 11 players for South Carolina sat in their chairs during the playing of the national anthem. A team statement said the players did it to bring awareness to the need for racial equality, social justice and an end to systemic racism in the United States. Only junior forward Elysa Wesolek stood, along with Staley and her staff.

Cooke said players wanted to make sure people didn't forget some of the social justice issues that arose this summer simply because time has passed. "Us as a team, we wanted to be strong together and take a stand together," she said.

ROAD TRIP

Staley has her fingers crossed the Gamecocks can play in South Dakota, where COVID-19 cases are rising. "Does it scare me? Absolutely. Does it scare our players? Absolutely," she said.

Staley said she'll monitor a men's basketball event taking place there now. If there are outbreaks of COVID-19, "we'll have to talk about the next move that comes from that."

UP NEXT

Charleston opens its home season against Wofford on Sunday.

South Carolina is scheduled to play South Dakota on Saturday, the first of its three games in Sioux Falls.

HOOPS

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Dutch Fork and make it to (the 5A) state (championship game), all that momentum is also going to propel us and we're going to ride that wave.

"We're going to get the job done without them, but we're patiently waiting on them to get done so we can get full throttle and finish out our season."

Missing those players also opens the door for other players to step up in their absences. Brown has enjoyed seeing how his team has adjusted as it opened the season with a 2-1 record in the Zaxby's Classic over the weekend.

"It has definitely given some guys more of an opportunity, and we're figuring out that some of those guys are playing really good basketball," Brown said. "We're getting better as a team by getting some of those younger guys to play early."

Sumter also has some veterans on the court to lead the newcomers. Players like Na-keem Isaac and Leslie Owens Jr. have carried over their success from last season, while freshman point guard Caleb Jenkins has made a name for himself early as someone who can start at the varsity level.

"Na-keem Isaac was one of our leaders last year. He's stepped out and taken a big role of scoring a lot for us," Brown said. "We have Leslie Owens, who is another one of our leaders from last year, and he's stepping out and making a big presence for us with his size and his ability to defend and protect the rim and being able to score around the basket."

"Then we have a surprise guy, a freshman that's start-

ing, Caleb Jenkins. He's played a lot for us and he actually made the all-tournament team in the Zaxby's tournament. We're expecting a lot of things out of him. We didn't know if he'd be 100% ready with his youth, but he's done a really good job of holding his own and contributing to the team a lot. We're looking forward to his growth and his development in the program."

The tournament also provided a snapshot of what basketball is going to look like this season, especially on the road. Brown thought the tournament was well-run from a safety aspect, and he also learned some good lessons about how to manage things like warmups in that environment.

"It's definitely different with the fans clearing out (between games) and sanitizing the facilities, but I think they did a really good job of sanitizing and keeping the teams separate. I think it's definitely different, but I don't know that it was anything that affected us, we just came over ready to play," Brown said. "We got warmed up before we got to the game, then we got on the bus warmed up, then we got to the gym ready to play. It was different because we weren't able to just sit in the stands and then go."

"I thought we were a lot looser just coming from warming up at school and then driving 25 minutes and getting off the bus and warming up again before the game, so we actually got some benefit from that."

The concern coming into the winter is that sports are moving entirely indoors as cases continue to spike, but Brown trusts that the administration at Sumter will do everything it can to keep players

and fans safe this winter.

"I try to focus on what I can control, that's what we try to do. We're going to focus on making sure our players and our staff are protecting ourselves and I trust that the other coaches will be doing the same," Brown said. "I think we've got some responsible fans and we'll have administration out helping, making sure people have their masks on. I'm just looking forward to us making this as successful as possible."

Brown also realizes that the threat of the virus could end their season at any point. He's trying to make sure that the Gamecocks are prepared for anything to happen, as their schedule could change at any moment or their season may abruptly finish.

"We're taking it day by day. I've already said in my mind that the season can be cut short and we're prepared for it. We're going to keep our expectations limited in how long we're going to be able to play. We're going to take it day by day and if something comes up where we won't be able to play, I think we'll be ready for that."

Whatever happens this winter, Brown is glad that the Gamecocks have been able to get their season started. He hopes it will go smoothly, but just being able to start their season was a relief.

"It's a great feeling. I really feel like our guys are playing well, I feel like we have a good team this year and just for us to have this opportunity to play means a lot," Brown said. "For me and the kids, this is our second year, we built a lot of momentum at the end of last year and we wanted to capitalize on that momentum, and I think we're all glad that we have the opportunity to do so."

said. "We need to change field position, get first downs, don't give them short fields. We need to limit (their) number of snaps."

Sumter had 351 yards of total offense against River Bluff, Nathan Harris-Waynick rushed for 182 yards on 25 carries, while quarterback Hayden Vasquez completed seven of 16 passes, but for 181 yards. Wide receiver Lodaine Redwood had four catches for 113 yards, including a 59-yard touchdown pass.

"I think we're getting better every week (offensively)," Barnes said. "It's been a strange season, so short (because of the coronavirus pandemic). In a normal year when you're playing in this game, you're as good as you're going to get. This

would normally be the end of the regular season, so I maintain we're still getting better."

Dutch Fork is allowing 234 yards of total offense and had allowed only 45 points before giving up 43 to Carolina Forest.

The Silver Foxes operate out of a 3-4 formation, but will bring a fourth player, according to Barnes.

"What they do that you don't see a lot in high school is they use their cornerbacks a lot to defend the running game. They tackle extremely well. All 11 can tackle."

"They're not overly complex in what do, but they do it well. They make you earn your way down the field. They don't give you real explosive plays. They trust each other."

AREA ROUNDUP

Wilson Hall sweeps in season opener

Wilson Hall's varsity boys and girls basketball teams opened their seasons on Tuesday with victories over The King's Academy at Nash Student Center.

The Lady Barons rolled to a 68-29 triumph, while the boys picked up a 76-45 victory.

In the girls game, WH led just 16-15 after the first quarter. However, it outscored TKA 19-8 in the second quarter to open a 35-23 halftime lead. Wilson Hall dominated the second half, outscoring The King's 33-6.

Andi Grae Wingate led Wilson Hall with 16 points and just missed a double-double with a team high nine rebounds. She also had three steals and three blocked shots.

Gracyn Coker had 10 points and four steals, Lucy Matthews had nine points, three steals and three assists, Catharine Busch had eight points, Hayley Champion had seven points and four steals, Vivian Bryant had six points and three steals, Halle Stone had three assists and three steals, Owings Holler had three assists, three steals and three blocks, Becca Cromer had four steals, and Amberly Way and Marybeth Van Patten both had three steals.

Audrey Beaton led TKA with 12 points and Meredith Hoover had 11.

In the boys game, the Barons had three players score in double figures with Matthew Miller leading the way with 16. Tate Sistare had 12, and Graham VanPatten had a double-double of 11 points and 10 rebounds.

Michael Towerly had nine points, Jackson Duvall eight and Evan Hoffman seven. Miller Jones had five assists.

TJ Merritts led The King's with 26 points.

WH won the junior varsity girls game 38-14. Maggie Norris led the way with 10 points, while Sullivan Jarnecki and Dani Hanley both had six.

GIRLS

THE KING'S ACADEMY

Beaton 12, Hoover 11, Smith 2, Porter 2, Padgett 2.

WILSON HALL

Epps 1, Way 3, Matthews 9,

Van Patten 4, Busch 8, Cromer 2, Holler 2, Bryant 6, Champion 7, Coker 10, Wingate 16.

BOYS

THE KING'S ACADEMY

Merritts 26, Alexander 9, Orrico 7, Fields 2, Williams 1.

WILSON HALL

Miller 16, Sistare 12, VanPatten 11, Towerly 9, Duvall 8, Hoffman 7, Anderson 5, Jones 4, Walker 2, Mathes 2.

CHAPIN 48 LAKEWOOD 42

LEXINGTON — The Lakewood High School varsity boys basketball team lost to Chapin 48-42 on Wednesday in the Tip-Off at the Dam Tournament.

LHS went 1-2 in the tournament.

Jaquorey Melton led the Gators with 21 points. Jamond Lewis had 11.

On Tuesday, Lakewood defeated South Aiken 65-52. Melton led the way with 21 points. Kameron Rodriguez had nine, Zayveon Wells, Lewis and Nicholas Martin each had eight and Camareyon McMillan had seven.

On Monday, LHS lost to River Bluff 62-56. Four Gators scored in double figures, led by McMillan with 16. Rodriguez had 14, Melton 12 and Wells 10.

CAMDEN 50 LAURENCE MANNING 40

LUGOFF — The Laurence Manning Academy boys basketball team fell to 0-2 on the season after falling to Camden High 50-40 in overtime on Tuesday in the Demon Tip-Off Classic at the Lugoff-Elgin gymnasium.

Camden outscored LMA 10-0 in overtime.

LMA fell to L-E 73-59 on Monday.

In the Camden game, Jaden Sanders led the Swampcats with 19 points. Aaron Medley added 10 and A.J. Nelson had seven.

LAURENCE MANNING

Medley 10, Sanders 19, Nelson 7, Johnson 2, K. Nivens 2.

CAMDEN

Stratford 4, Wilson 4, Caldwell 10, Jones 18, Sweetenburg 4, Bradford 1, Nash 3, Bracey 6.

FROM STAFF REPORTS

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"We had to go through a transformation (against River Bluff)," Barnes said. "This week is a different animal. We're going to need to push the line of scrimmage back some their way, be more aggressive. We've got to win first downs, and we've got to get them off the field on third downs. They're really good at converting those."

Something else that would help the Gamecocks limit the DFHS offense would be a good performance from the Sumter offense. And that doesn't necessarily mean scoring points.

"Of course, we want to score points, but we need good possessions," Barnes

SCBCA PRESEASON TOP 10 AND AWARDS

ELITE GIRLS

Malaysia Fulwiley, Keenan Talaysia Cooper, East Clarendon Aylesha Wade, Clover Laila Acox, Ridge View Jada Jones, Rock Hill Mallory Bruce, Travelers Rest Analia Nelson, Lower Richland Joyce Edwards, Camden

5A GIRLS

1. Clover
2. Sumter
3. T.L. Hanna
4. Summerville
5. Ridge View
6. Rock Hill

7. J.L. Mann
8. Lexington
9. Nation Ford
10. Wando

TOP 5 SENIORS

Janiyah Hagood, J.L. Mann Jalani Adams, Mauldin Layken Cox, Sumter Janae Whaley, Stall Vanessa Blake, Ashley Ridge

2A BOYS

1. Gray Collegiate
2. Andrew Jackson
3. Christ Church
4. Greer Middle College
5. Burke

6. Wade Hampton
7. York Prep
8. Marion
9. Lee Central
10. Cheraw

TOP 5 SENIORS

Chase McDuffie, Gray Collegiate Trevon Miles, Latta Marshall Myers, Cheraw TJ Sanders, Marion Isaac Hawkins, Legion Collegiate

1A BOYS

1. Great Falls
2. Scott's Branch
3. Southside Christian
4. C.E. Murray

5. Military Magnet
6. Calhoun County
7. Allendale-Fairfax
8. High Point
9. Denmark-Olar
10. McCormick

TOP 5 SENIORS

Literian Tyler, North High School Ian Thomson, Southside Christian Quiz Thomas, Johnsonville Shawn Jones, Allendale-Fairfax AJ Sweetenburg, Wagener-Salley

1A GIRLS

1. Military Magnet
2. High Point
3. East Clarendon

4. Estill
5. Whale Branch
6. Lake View
7. Denmark-Olar
8. Cross
9. Scott's Branch
10. Blackville-Hilda

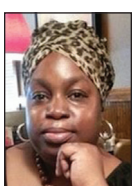
TOP 5 SENIORS

Rishonna Washington, Blackville-Hilda Jaliyah Bussey, Ridge Spring-Monetta Zhani Thompson, Whale Branch Hannah Fuller, Southside Christian Cambria Parker, Scott's Branch

OBITUARIES

SHYRA LYNN BOYNES

Funeral services for Shyra Lynn Boynes will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at



BOYNES

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 182 S. Pike East, Sumter, with the Rev. Dr. Aureila Hill, pastor, and the Rev. Ricky Simmons officiating.

A public viewing will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Shyra was born on Jan. 6, 1971, in St. Thomas, Virgin Island, to Austin Boynes and the late Joan Blyden.

She departed this life on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020, in Sumter.

She leaves to cherish her memories: a daughter, Uniquega James; two sons, Rasheem James and James Major; her father, Austin Boynes; a sister, Crystal Bo-Brown; four brothers, Keith Andrews, Troy Andrews, Shawn Hodge and Austine Boynes Jr.; two granddaughters, A'nya James and Ariel James; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Services entrusted to Whites Mortuary LLC Ministry in the Market Place.

DURANT PENDERGRASS

MANNING — Durant Pendergrass, 78, husband of Emma Barr Pendergrass, died on Saturday, Nov. 21, 2020, at McLeod Regional Medical Center, Florence.

He was a son of the late Enoch and Jet-tie Mae Gamble Pendergrass.

Funeral services for Mr. Pendergrass will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Hayes F. Samuels Sr. Memorial Chapel, 114 N. Church St., Manning. Burial will follow at St. Matthews Cemetery, Kingstree Highway, Manning.

The family is receiving friends at the home of his daughter, Glenda Garris, 1063 Puritt Lane, Manning.

These services have been entrusted to Samuels Funeral Home LLC of Manning.

WALTON NEWMAN

MANNING — Walton Sigmond Newman, 72, husband of Helen Jackson Newman, died on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020, at McLeod Health Clarendon.

Born on Sept. 20, 1948, in Sumter, he was a son of the late Sidney Allen Newman and Maudena Baker Newman.

He was a volunteer with the Manning and Clarendon County fire departments, a Mason and a member of Manning First Baptist Church. He was a retired supervisor with Santee Cooper Coop.

He is survived by his wife of Manning; four children, Tammy Watson (Rob) of Blythewood, Chad Walton Newman (Kim) of Winnsboro, Kathleen Ott (Kyle Jernigan) of Manning and Mary McLeod (Andy) of Laurens; five grandchildren, Josh, Brooke, Claudia, Buddy and Garrett; a sister, Mary Elizabeth Proctor (Walter Jr.) of Sumter; a sister-in-law, Margaret Newman of Surfside Beach; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday in the chapel of Stephens Funeral Home with the Rev. Walter Proctor III officiating.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service from 2 to

3 p.m. at Stephens Funeral Home and other times at the home of his daughter, Kathleen Ott, 1234 Pine Ridge Road, Manning.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, www.stjude.org.

Stephens Funeral Home & Crematory, 304 N. Church St., Manning, is in charge of arrangements, (803) 435-2179. www.stephensfuneralhome.org

KATHERINE FLORENCE MILAM

MANNING — Katherine Florence Milam, 64, wife of Charles David Milam, died on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020, at Prisma Health Richland Hospital.

Born on Sept. 7, 1956, in Sumter, she was a daughter of the late Larry Samuel Florence and Elisabeth Ries Florence. Kathy was an animal lover and had many cats and dogs. She was a member of New Start Community Church of the Nazarene.

She is survived by her husband of Manning; a son, David Wayne Milam (Elizabeth) of Manning; three grandchildren, Madison, Callie and Jacob Milam; three brothers, Larry Florence (Nancy), David Florence (Beverly) and Don Florence (Dawn), all of Sumter; and several nieces, nephews, greatnieces and greatnephews.

A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. today at Clarendon Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Sammy Geddings officiating.

Memorials may be made to New Start Community Church of the Nazarene, P.O. Box 119, Manning, SC 29102.

Stephens Funeral Home & Crematory, 304 N. Church St., Manning, is in charge of arrangements, (803) 435-2179. www.stephensfuneralhome.org

STEWART AUSTIN RUSH

Stewart Austin Rush, 93, widower of Shirley Gray Moore Rush, died on Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, at Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital.

Born on Aug. 18, 1927, in Lynchburg, Virginia, he was a son of the late Harrison S. and Eva M. Wilkerson Rush. Mr. Rush was a member of Alice Drive Baptist Church and the B.C. Long Brotherhood Class. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. Mr. Rush retired from Dupont. He was a Mason, enjoyed big band music and fishing.

Survivors include one son, Leonard A Rush (Karen) of Alameda, California; four grandchildren, Christian "Christy" H. Lyles (Gerald), Mandi L. Wilson, Katharine Gray Rush and Erik A. Rush (Tomi); four great-grandchildren, Anna Lyles, Bryce Lyles, Cooper Wilson and Liza Gray Wilson; one brother, James W. Rush of Lynchburg, Virginia; a sister, Virginia Rush Singleton of Raleigh, North Carolina; and a special niece, Laura Lee Owens.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by a son, James S. Rush; a daughter, Delores "Dee Dee" Gray Rush; and a brother, Robert H. Rush.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Forest Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery in Camden with the Rev. Dr. Clay Smith officiating.

The family will receive friends following the graveside service.

Memorials may be sent to Alice Drive Baptist Church, 1305 Loring Mill Road, Sumter, SC 29150.

Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and Crematorium of Sumter is in charge of the arrangements.

JOSH REID

MANNING — Josh Reid, 73, husband of Helen Young Reid, died on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020, at KershawHealth Medical Center at Camden.

He was born on June 12, 1947, in Manning, a son of Willie and Elizabeth Bertie Reid.

Due to COVID-19, the family is not receiving visitors.

These services have been entrusted to Samuels Funeral Home LLC of Manning.

MATTIE LEE PUGH

LEXINGTON — Mattie Lee Pugh, 58, died on Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, at her residence, 142 Industrial Drive, Lexington.

She was born on Aug. 8, 1962, in Manning, a daughter of the late Hezekiah Walker and Gertrude Brunson Pugh.

Due to COVID-19, the family is not receiving visitors.

These services have been entrusted to Samuels Funeral Home LLC of Manning.

CAROLE BEATSON BLACK

Carole Beatson Black, age 77, beloved wife of the late Fingal Gordon Black, died on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020, at her residence.

Born on Jan. 1, 1943, in Sumter, she was a daughter of the late Earle Leroy and Dorothy Barfield Beatson. Mrs. Black retired from GTE and was a secretary at West Baptist Church for many years. In addition, along with her husband, she was the former owner of Dairy Cream and Fingal's Broasted Chicken. Mrs. Black was active with the Sumter County Fair for many years. She was a member of Grace Baptist Church.

Surviving are one daughter, Vicki Black Lautato and her husband, Joseph, of Sumter; one brother, Paul Beatson and his wife, Rebecca, of Virginia Beach, Virginia; one grandchild, Paul Kennedy Miles and his wife, Mandy, of Loris; and one great-grandchild, Chloe Miles.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one brother, Earle Leroy "Roy" Black Jr.

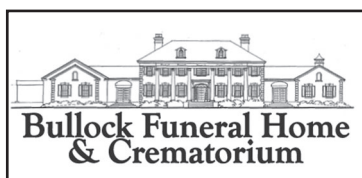
A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at the Bullock Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Steve Williams officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Memorial Park cemetery.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service from 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday at Bullock Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Grace Baptist Church, 219 W. Calhoun St., Sumter, SC 29150.

You may go to www.bullockfuneralhome.com and sign the family's guest book.

The family has chosen Bullock Funeral Home of Sumter for the arrangements.



GENEVA TOMLIN

Geneva Tomlin, 69, of Brooklyn, New York, passed away on Monday, Nov. 16, 2020.

She was born on March 5, 1951, in Sumter, a daughter of the late Roy Robinson and

Pessie Mack. She graduated from Clara Barton High School, Brooklyn, in 1969. On Aug. 5, 1972, she married Terrial Tomlin of Durham, North Carolina. They were married for 32 years. She worked in accounts payable at AT&T for 32 years and retired in September of 2001. She was also involved with the New York Board of Elections, serving as a polling supervisor for 10 years.

She is survived by her fiancé, Alonza Brown; daughter, Twanisha (Thomas) Siejkowski; son, Terrial Tomlin Jr.; paternal daughter, Monique Porter; seven grandchildren; brothers, Sylvester Mack Sr. and Randolph (Sharon) Mack; sisters, Delores Mack and Maggie Louise (Edmond) Baldwin; other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother and sister-in-law, Lorenzo and Deborah Mack; grandson, Kyian Tomlin; and granddaughter, Rae'Lynn Tomlin.

Viewing will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. today at Sumter Funeral Service.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at Green Hill Baptist Church Cemetery, Alcolu.

Due to COVID-19, masks are required at viewing and services.

Sumter Funeral Service is in charge of arrangements.

DAVID LEPAGE

David LePage, age 80, beloved husband of Irene LePage, died on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2020, at Prisma Health Tuomey Hospital.

Services will be private. You may go to www.bullockfuneralhome.com and sign the family's guest book.

The family has chosen Bullock Funeral Home of Sumter for the arrangements.



JOHN JOSEPH MCCASKEY JR.

John Joseph McCaskey Jr., age 84, beloved husband of Carole Irene Cummings McCaskey, died on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020, at his residence.

Arrangements will be announced by Bullock Funeral Home of Sumter.



KINNIE CHARLES DANAY

Kinnie Charles Daney, 74, departed this life on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2020, in North Charleston.

She was born on Nov. 7, 1946, in Sumter, a son of the late O'Donald and Annie Mae Woods Daney.

The family will receive friends at the home of his sister, 13 Belton Court, Sumter, SC 29150.

Job's Mortuary Inc., 312 S. Main St., Sumter, is in charge of arrangements.

RUTH ANN ANDERSON-BACCUS

Ruth Ann Anderson-Baccus, 69, died on Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2020, at MUSC Health Florence Medical Center, Florence.

Born on March 4, 1951, in Clarendon County, she was a daughter of the late Joshua Carter Thompson and Rosa Bell Hammett.

A public viewing will be

held from 4 to 6 p.m. today at the funeral home chapel.

Services are scheduled for noon on Saturday at Clark House Cemetery, 1256 L.H. Pearson Road, Summerton.

Summerton Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

CLARY PEARSON SR.

Clary Pearson Sr., 59, husband of Melissa Lewis Pearson, died on Sunday, Nov. 22, 2020, at his residence.

He was born on Dec. 6, 1960, in Sumter County, a son of the late James Pearson Sr. and Lillie Mae Johnson Pearson.

Graveside services for Mr. Pearson will be held at noon on Saturday at Pearson Chapel Cemetery, Old Georgetown Road, Sumter.

The family is receiving friends at his residence, 4480 Julius Lane, Sumter.

These services have been entrusted to Samuels Funeral Home LLC of Manning.

LULA MAE MAHONEY JENKINS

Lula Mae Mahoney Jenkins, 76, wife of Earnest Jenkins, departed this life on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2020, at her residence.

Born on Aug. 9, 1944, in Sumter, she was a daughter of the late Samuel Sr. and Mary Gooden Mahoney.

The family will receive friends at the home, 4540 Cotton Acres Road, Sumter, SC 29153.

Job's Mortuary Inc., 312 S. Main St., Sumter, is in charge of arrangements.

ARTHUR HILTON

MANNING — On Saturday, Nov. 21, 2020, Arthur Hilton "Water Moccasin," widower of the late Betty Plowden Hilton, departed this life at his residence.

Born on Oct. 8, 1958, in the Jordan Community of Manning, he was a son of the late Moise and Ruth "Flora" Murray Hilton Sr.

Graveside services celebrating his life will take place on Saturday at 11 a.m. from the family plot located in the St. Matthews Cemetery, Highway 261 (Kingstree Highway), Manning.

In accordance with the requirements given by the CDC in reference to the COVID-19 pandemic, the family is not receiving relatives and friends at the residence.

Fleming & DeLaine Funeral Home and Chapel of Manning is assisting the Hilton family. Online condolences may be sent to www.flemingdelaine.com or flemingdelaine@aol.com

REV. O'DONALD DINGLE

On Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020, the Rev. O'Donald Dingle, widower of the late Ida Lee Waiters Dingle "Honey," heard his Master's call at Prisma Health Tuomey.

Born on Jan. 15, 1927, in the Jordan Community of Manning, he was a son of the late William "Bill" and Victoria Ballard Dingle.

In accordance with the requirements given by the CDC in reference to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Dingle family is not receiving relatives and friends at the residence.

Funeral services are incomplete and will be announced by the Fleming & DeLaine Funeral Home and Chapel of Manning.

ANISSA ALSTON

Ms. Anissa Alston, 49, departed this life on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2020, in Sumter.

She was born March 2, 1971, in Sumter to the late Willie and Eliza Hunter Alston.

Services are incomplete and will be announced later by Whites Mortuary LLC.



THE CLARENDON SUN

Coach Coker: Father figure, friend, mentor

BY SHARRON HALEY
Clarendon contributor

MANNING — Guy Richard “Ricky” Coker was more than just an English teacher and coach to the hundreds — if not thousands — of students he inspired through the years.

On Nov. 17, Coach Coker died at home at the age of 61.

He was a father figure, mentor, best friend and a man who always had their backs.

A little more than two years ago, Nelson Gibbons, a graduate of Manning High School, spearheaded a plan to have the MHS baseball field named after Coker. Gibbons, along with other students and players, wanted to surprise the man who taught them more than English and sports.

“I was told by the (Clarendon School District 2 board of trustees) that we needed written testimonies from some of his players/students and a list of signatures,” Gibbons stated on the Facebook page that is dedicated to naming the baseball field after Coker.

What was to have been a surprise now turned into a mission. The group renewed and increased its efforts to have the alma mater’s baseball field named in memory of Coker tenfold. Phone calls, text messages and emails began in earnest. A signed petition asking for the field to be named “Guy Richard Coker Field” and testimonials of how Coker impacted their lives were sought.

Immediately after Coker’s death, former students and players began sharing their experiences with the man they credited with making their lives better. Lori McDaniel with the Manning Athletic Club read many of those mes-

WANT TO HELP RENAME MANNING HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL FIELD?

To become a part of the effort to name the Manning High School baseball field after Guy Richard “Ricky” Coker, log onto the **Name MHS Baseball Field After Coach Coker!** Facebook page and sign the petition or call Gibbons at (803) 460-7799 or email him at NelsonGibbons1@gmail.com.



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sages and decided to help get the ball rolling on renaming the baseball field.

“He is so special to the players,” McDaniel said. “MAC totally supports it. It needs to happen.”

Holly McCabe, a former student of Coker’s, totally supports the mission.

“He loved The Temptations, playing tricks and coffee,” McCabe said with a laugh. “He made English fun. I can remember so much about some of the books we read because of him. He brought the books to life and made it so that we could understand them. It was so sad when he retired.”

Todd Culclasure described Coker as a “people’s person,” who was extremely smart with a dry wit.

“He was very theatrical,” Culclasure reminisced. “He would walk around class wearing a papier mache football helmet. He had a booming voice.”

Culclasure said that Coker always had his classes watch his favorite movie, “Moby Dick.”

“He would start the movie,” Culclasure said, “and when the character said, ‘They call me Ishmael,’ he’d always said, ‘Play that back. Play that back.’ He made learning fun.”

Coker’s love for baseball was devout.

“He could remember every

game,” Culclasure added. “He could remember the details and weave it into great stories.”

When seniors were required to take an exit exam to graduate, Coker always went the extra mile to help students who were struggling, he said.

“He took a lot of pleasure in helping students get through the exam,” Culclasure said. “He took students and athletes under his wing. He had probably six young men advance to the major leagues because of his help. He was a wonderful man.”

Coker was more than just a coach and a “very caring man” to Tommy Harrison, whom Coker started mentoring when Harrison was in junior high school.

“He first came into my life when I was an eighth-grade student who was trying to find my way but getting into trouble in the process,” Harrison said. “He actually started mentoring me then.”

Coker supported his players both on and off the field.

“He was a father figure for kids that didn’t have fathers,” Harrison shared. “I learned how to win at life from a man who was a father figure, a coach and a best friend.”

Harrison was accepted to Spartanburg Methodist College. His mother didn’t own a car, and he didn’t have a way

to get to school.

“I called him the night before and talked with him about it,” Harrison said. “Coach Coker dropped all of the plans he may have had for that day, and he was at my house the next morning to take me to school.”

With one suitcase, a baseball bag and a pair of cleats, Coker and Harrison set off to Spartanburg.

“Coach Coker looked at me and smiled and said, ‘Son, you at least got to have a TV,’” Harrison reminisced. “We stopped by Sears, and he bought me a TV and a Walkman. Before dropping me off, Coach Coker took me to the Beacon for lunch. We sat there and talked for a while.”

Harrison said he learned how to become a better person from Coker.

“He would call me his son and tell me he believed in me,” Harrison shared. “I loved, appreciated and thanked Coach Coker for all that he has done

for me and my family. I wasn’t his responsibility, but he made me one of his priorities and made sure I finished the course.”

Harrison credits Coker for the family man and coach he is today.

“I use all the value that he instilled in me and hold my children and players accountable to the same standards in life that Coach Coker taught me,” he said.

Harrison said that Coker didn’t expect any accolades or rewards for helping his players.

“I am one of the many students that he guided and showed them the way and set them on the right path in life,” Harrison said. “Coach Coker led us all through the tough times with no expectations of a reward or royalties. It was more important to him to create a good American citizen, and he gave us all a great chance to be successful in life.”

Travel with PAT TOURS 2021 Tours

NO WEB PAGE - Bus tours start in Manning

- March 29-31, 2021** SAVANNAH IN THE SPRING Deposit \$75 \$529 pp Hotel in Historic downtown near waterfront. Paula Deens for dinner. Trolley Tour. Savannah Theatre Show
- April 16-24, 2021** SPRING IN IRELAND \$300 pp deposit 11 cities and 9 meals \$3728 pp
- *May 4-7, 2021** KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS/NOAH’S ARK \$85 pp deposit 6 meals \$539 pp Kentucky Derby Track & Museum, Louisville Bat Company, Noah’s Ark Visit. 4 days.
- *May 17-30, 2021** YELLOWSTONE, TETONS, MT RUSHMORE WAITING LIST STARTED Onboard guide for entire tour.
- *June 9-12, 2021** EVERGREEN BAPTIST CHURCH – NOAH’S ARK \$489 pp Includes ticket to Creation Museum. Pickup – Church at Effingham SC. 6 meals \$100 deposit. 4 days
- *June 14-19, 2021** NEW ORLEANS \$100 deposit (Florence Pickup WITH Parking) French Quarter, WW II Museum, Swamp Tour plus more. Local guide WAITING LIST STARTED
- *June 24-26, 2021** NOAH’S ARK-KENTUCKY \$50 Deposit. 3 days \$285 pp Sponsored by Pine Grove Church. Pickups at Greeleyville Church, Manning and Florence. 4 meals
- June 28-July 1, 2021** NOAH’S ARK & CREATION MUSEUM \$100 Deposit \$488 pp Lexington KY hotel, 6 meals Sponsored by Barrineau PH Church Pickup at Church-Turbeville SC
- *August, 8-14, 2021** CAPE COD Deposit: \$125 pp \$1259 pp 12 meals, local guide, Chatham, Plymouth, Hyannis, Provincetown, Newport RI and Mystic Harbor CT
- Aug. 27-Sept. 4, 2021** ALASKA CRUISE Dep. \$300 pp Ship-NCL Bliss Passports \$3684 pp Prenight Hotel, Air to/from Charleston SC Balconies ONLY
- *September 8-20, 2021** GRAND CANYON, HOOVER DAM, LAS VEGAS \$1805 pp Deposit: \$150 pp. Tour also includes Painted Desert, Petrified Forest, Oklahoma Memorial.
- *Sep. 26-Oct. 3 2021** NIAGARA FALLS, LANCASTER AMISH & FLIGHT 93 MEMORIAL Also-Chesapeake Bay area. 12 meals. 8 days/7 nights. Deposit: \$125 pp PASSPORTS \$1497 pp
- *October 16-24, 2021** COASTAL MAINE 9 days Deposit: \$125 pp Maine guide for 6 days. Waiting List Started.
- *November 29-Dec. 2** NASHVILLE CHRISTMAS Deposit \$85 pp \$725 pp Grand Ole Opry, Ryman, City Tour, Delta Boat Ride at Opryland Hotel. 3 dinners.
- *December 11-12, 2021** CHRISTMAS AT BILTMORE Deposit: \$75 pp \$370 pp Day Tour of the Estate, Doubletree Hotel Lodging near Estate Entrance. 3 Meals.

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CCFR paramedic program wins award

BY SHARRON HALEY
Clarendon contributor

MANNING — Clarendon County residents with medical issues who don’t have access to home health care services now have a place to turn to for help.

“We go into people’s homes that don’t have the ability to have nursing there or anything else, and we see what we can do to help them,” said Brad Gerfin, Clarendon County Fire Rescue deputy chief of EMS operations. “We see how we can help them have a better life.”

On Nov. 19, the Clarendon County Fire Rescue Community Paramedic Program received the 2020 Outstanding Community Health Project or Initiative Award from the South Carolina Office of Rural Health for its outstanding work in community service.

“The Clarendon Community Paramedic Program is dedicated to providing this innovative model and doing whatever it takes to continue the program for their community because they have seen the positive impact it yields,” said Britton Herbert, a program manager for health system innovation at SCORH. “They strive to grow their program and help other organizations develop community paramedicine initiatives. Through the COVID-19 public health emergency, they responded quickly and have adapted to meet the needs of their community.”

Sarah Craig, director of Health System Innovation at SCORH, presented Gerfin and Steve Demby, a captain with Clarendon County Fire Rescue and coordinator of the program, with the award.

“We recognize programs that have done an outstanding job to serve their communities,” Craig said. “We really support and congratulate programs that really have impacted the health services in this county.”

Craig also said that Clarendon County has outperformed even the state’s larger rural counties in going out and testing for COVID-19.



SHARRON HALEY / THE SUMTER ITEM

Clarendon County Fire Rescue Deputy Chief of EMS Operations Brad Gerfin, Tonya Revill and CCFR Capt. Steve Demby were recognized for their achievements with the CCFR Community Paramedic Program. Demby received the 2020 Outstanding Community Health Project or Initiative Award from the South Carolina Office of Rural Health. Demby presented Revill, center, with a Challenge Coin for her hard work in helping the program succeed.

Craig recognized their excellent job of gathering data on the program.

“The data will be so instrumental down the road for getting funding for these types of programs,” she added.

Craig said that Gerfin and Demby have supported other rural agencies across South Carolina in designing and developing their programs.

“Brad and Steve have spoken at sessions and trainings we’ve had,” she added. “They’ve developed relationships that have helped to improve EMS across South Carolina.”

Gerfin said that six different communities have visited Clarendon County to see the program in action and to gather information that they can take back to their communities. Lexington and Richland counties were among the six to visit Clarendon, he added.

“A patient was referred to Steve by a member of the fire department,” Gerfin added.

“Steve went out there and met with them. He made a lot of changes inside the house from simple things like teaching her how to use her walker properly. She had a lot of rugs scattered around. Steve told her they needed to come up, and she got upset. So, Steve goes to the truck and gets some double-sided

tape and tapes the rugs down.”

Gerfin said that what Demby did had a huge impact on that woman’s life.

“She’s not going to fall down,” he added. “We’ve gone out and corrected the problem. This is what this program does. We go out into the homes, find out what the needs are to improve their lives and make their lives better.”

Gerfin said that Demby has delivered meals and even mowed a person’s lawn.

“They didn’t have any family members around and kept falling in the yard,” Gerfin said.

Demby said he is proud to represent Clarendon County and the program.

Demby recognized Tonya Revill, whom he called the “backbone of the program” by providing behind-the-scenes support, data collection and other matters.

“She always stops what she’s doing to help or provide information,” he added.

Demby presented Revill with the program’s Challenge Coin, which was minted for the program to award individuals for outstanding accomplishments or achievements.

“Today, I’m giving Tonya our Challenge Coin, making her an honorary CP,” he said.

MECC students learn the joy, importance of gardening

BY SHARRON HALEY
Clarendon contributor

MANNING — You're never too young to learn about gardening. Students at Manning Early Childhood Center have been learning how to plant a garden, how to protect plants from pests, how to use their harvests and how to compost, thanks to volunteers and Master Gardeners Marie Land and Clay Clark, along with the students' regular teachers.

For the past six years, Land has been teaching the students in the Montessori program as well as first-graders how to garden, protect plants from pests and how to harvest and use the vegetables and plants they produce. Land works with four to five classes each year.

"We have more fun than the students," Land said with a laugh. "They are so much fun, and some of them know a lot about gardening already."

Master Gardener Clay Clark has been volunteering at MECC for the past three years.

"He's a wonderful gardener, and he helps with the mechanical," Land added. "We're going to build birdhouses from the gourds that the students collected."

So far this school year, the students have learned about growing peanuts and then how to make peanut butter.

The students learned how to grow



PHOTOS PROVIDED BY SUZANNE BARR WITH CLARENDON SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 / SPECIAL TO THE SUMTER ITEM

It took both hands for this Manning Early Childhood Center student to carry a gourd that Master Gardener Clay Clark, a volunteer at the school, helped the students harvest.

onions, and then each child was given his or her own onion to plant.

"The students learn more than just gardening," Land said. "We teach them how to spell the names of the plants. Onion is a hard word to spell."

Land also taught the students how to use an organic baking soda formula to protect squash plants from worms and other pests.

While Land helped teach the students about planting, she also encouraged them to keep their planting areas clean. Land and the students picked up debris from the area and placed it in the class' compost pile.

After all that hard work came a little down time. After the class, Land treated each student to juice and a snack.



Marie Land, volunteer at Manning Early Childhood Center, is a Master Gardener. Land volunteers her time to teach the students about gardening. From planting the seeds or seedlings to harvesting and food preparation, Land makes gardening fun for the students. Land and the MECC students are looking at several plants that they planted in raised beds behind the school.

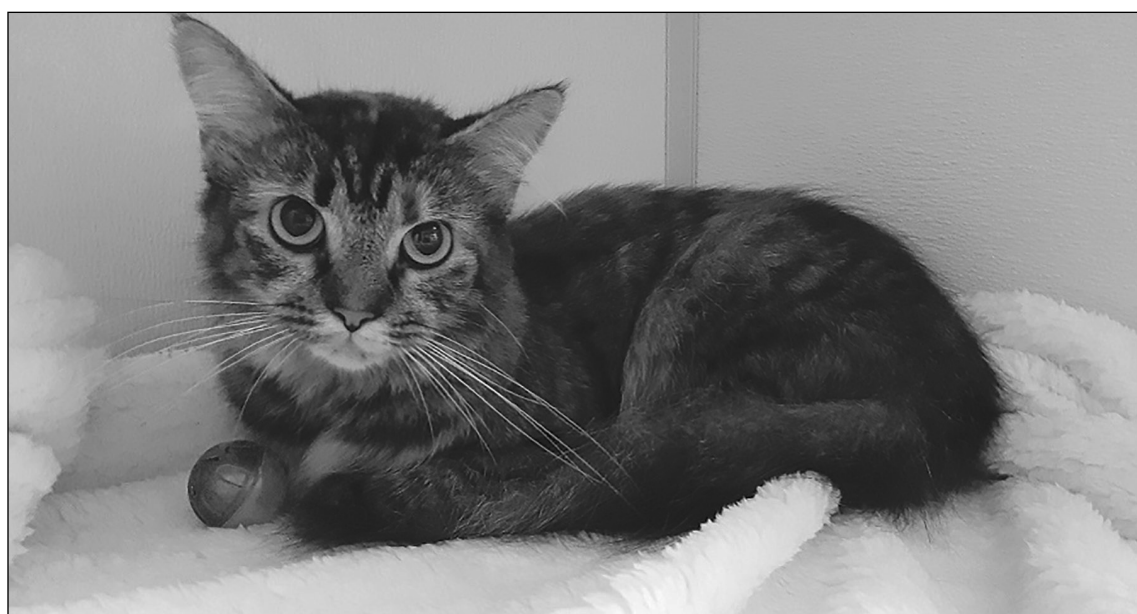


Master Gardener Clay Clark, a volunteer at Manning Early Childhood Center, shows students where birds enter the dried gourds to make their nests.

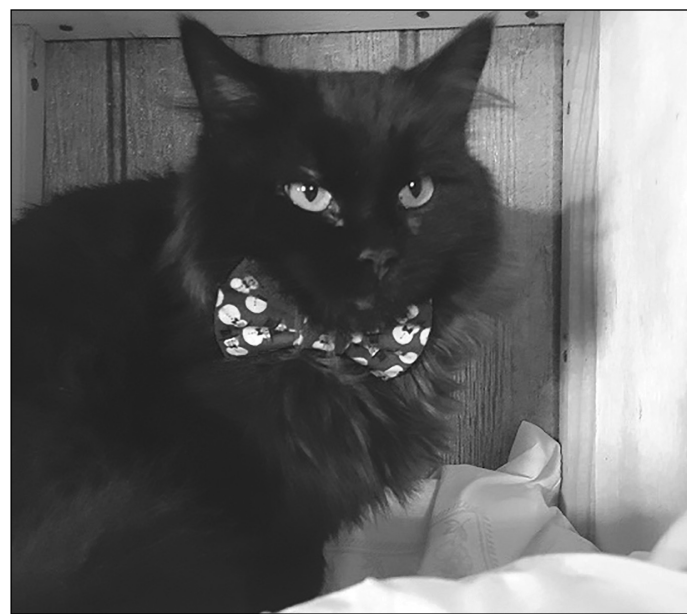


One Manning Early Childhood Center student holds a large gourd while the other student listens to how the gourds are turned into beautiful birdhouses.

Pets of the week



Minnie is a 1.5-year-old, gray tabby, female domestic medium-hair cat. Minnie is up to date on all of her vaccinations, spayed and tested negative for Feline Leukemia and AIDs. Since coming to the shelter, she stays more to herself, but she enjoys being petted. Once she warms up, then she is a very friendly cat who likes to play. Minnie is intimidated by other cats. She would make a great addition to your family. Our adoption fee for cats and kittens is \$100. We are not currently open to the public but are doing adoptions by appointment only, with an approved application. If you are interested in adopting Minnie, you can get pre-approved to adopt by submitting your application online at www.ASecondChanceAnimalShelter.com.



Ashley is a 2.5-year-old, black female, domestic medium-hair cat. Ashley is up to date on all vaccinations, is spayed and tested negative for Feline Leukemia and AIDs. Since coming to the shelter, she stays more to herself and is a little timid. However, once she warms up, she is a very friendly cat. Ashley gets along with other cats. If you are interested in adopting Ashley, you can get preapproved to adopt by submitting your application online at www.ASecondChanceAnimalShelter.com.

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NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **The Citizens Bank vs. Thaydell Pate**, Amanda McGee, Dwayne Pate and any other person claiming any right, title or interest in the real estate, and John Doe and Sally Roe, also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe, and any unknown minors or person under a disability being a class designated as Sally Roe representing any unknown heirs of Charles Pate, or claimants against the property described in the Complaint, Defendants, CA# 2020-CP-14-00217, I, the undersigned, will sell on **December 7, 2020 at 12:00, noon**, at the Clarendon County Courthouse, 3 Keitt St # 101, Street, Manning, South Carolina, to the highest bidder the following property:

All that piece, parcel or tract of land lying, being and situate in the County of Clarendon, State of South Carolina containing one (1) acre according to plat hereinafter described and measuring and bounding as follows: on the North by lands of Bethea Floyd and measuring thereon 208.72 feet; on the East by lands of Bethea Floyd and measuring thereon 208.71 feet; on the South by a 40 foot easement for ingress and egress and measuring thereon 208.72 feet; and on the West by lands of Bethea Floyd and Ham DuBose and measuring thereon 135.00 feet and 73.71 feet.

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For a more particular description of said tract, reference may be had to a plat by Lower Florence County Engineering and Surveying dated January 24, 1991 and recorded in Plat Book 42, at page 187, records of Clarendon County.

This being a portion of the property conveyed to S. Bethea Floyd, Ronald D. Floyd and Thomas N. Floyd dba S. Bethea Floyd and Sons dated October 27, 1978 and recorded in Deed Book A88 at page 288, records of Clarendon County.

Along with a 1991 HORTON Mobile Home SER#H91941G

TMS 325-00-01-033-00
Address:
1086 Armato Lane,
Turbeville, SC 29114

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit, at the conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of the bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the property will be resold on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day at the risk of the said highest bidder. Personal or deficiency judgment having been waived, the bidding will not remain open for a period of 30 days after the sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. Purchaser to pay interest on the debt

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to date of compliance with the bid, preparation of the deed, documentary stamps on the deed, and recording fees.

SUBJECT TO CLARENDON COUNTY TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, EASEMENTS, RESTRICTIONS, ANY OTHER MATTERS OF RECORD

Joseph K. Coffey
Master in Equity
for Clarendon County

Ray Coit Yarborough, Jr.
Attorney for Plaintiff



Estate Notice Clarendon County

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

All persons having claims against the following estates MUST file their claims on FORM #371ES with the Probate Court of Clarendon County, the address of which is 411 Sunset Dr. Manning, SC 29102, within eight (8) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice to Creditors or within one (1) year from date of death, whichever is earlier (SCPC 62-3-801, et seq.), or such persons shall be forever barred as to their claims. All claims are required to be presented in written statements on the prescribed form (FORM #371ES) indicating the name and address of the claimant, the basis of the claim, the amount claimed, the date when the claim will become due, the nature of any uncertainty as to the claim, and a description of any security as to the claim.

Estate: Henrietta Whitaker
#2020ES14000324
Personal Representative:
Charles E. Brunson
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Columbus, GA 31906
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A Notch Above Tree Care Log pickup available. Full quality service low rates, lic./ins., free est BBB accredited 983-9721

MERCHANDISE

Auctions

Notice of Public Sale Storage Rentals of America 4194 Broad Street, Sumter, SC 29154

Property of the following tenant(s) will be sold for cash to satisfy rental liens in accordance with the Title 39, Chapter 20, Section 10 through 50 of the South Carolina Lien Statutes. All items will be sold or otherwise disposed of. Sale will be conducted online at Lockerfox.com on December 17th, 2020 at 10:00 AM EST. All goods will be sold 'AS IS' condition. All items or spaces may not be available at time of sale. All sales are final, and a \$100 refundable cleaning deposit is required for all sales.

198 Lamonte Herriot: Boxes, totes, leather living room set. 126 Valarie McKenzie: Boxes, household goods. 85 Katie Player: Boxes, totes, furniture, appliances.

I-Deal Auction, LLC Thrift Store Special Event Black Friday, Super Saturday & Mad Monday Storewide clearance sale. 50% off items outside. 'New Jewelry collection' 1012 Pocalla Rd.

PUBLIC AUCTION SUMTER EAST SELF STORAGE 800 MYRTLE BEACH HWY. AUCTION LIST December 12, 2020 10:00 A.M.

UNITS FOR AUCTION A-1 - KIZZWANA COCHRAN A-12 - RONALD BROWN A-24 - KENDRA BROWN A-46 - ANITA SIMON A-47 - CHARLIE WASHINGTON A-55 - CASEY NEWMAN A-61 - ALEX GADSON B-33 - SHIRL WILLIAMS B-39 - JAMES GRAHAM C-6 - MELISSA FEAGIN C-8 - JAMES BYRD C-18 - CRISSEY EPPERSON C-27 - JERLEAN TOMLIN C-29 - TANEESHIEA WILLIAMS C-30 - JERLEAN TOMLIN D-7 - CANDACE TAYLOR G-1 - MYESHA CHARLES

Garage, Yard & Estate Sales

1705 Hialeah Parkway. Moving Sale Sat. 7-11. Furn., ladies clothing Xl-2x, Qn bed in bags, LOTS of Christmas items, & misc.

Alton Meeler Auctioneer Estate and real estate. Professional service at low commission. Call 803-983-2454. SCAL 4571

760 Henderson St. Fri. Nov. 27 & Sat. Nov. 28. 7-3. Proceeds go to Advocacy Pregnancy & Parenting Center.

ESTATE SALE 735 Haile St Sumter, SC 29150 Nov 27 - 29, 2020 10am - 3pm Black Friday Weekend Estate Sale! Collectors Paradise! We will be following CDC GuidelInes for Safety. Only 25 People will be allowed in the home at a time. Come early! Email us for link to pictures! ConsiderItDoneColumbia@gmail.com 803-467-3655



Garage, Yard & Estate Sales

Yard Sale Extravaganza Multi Family Corner of Snowden St. & Henderson, up Mattison Ave. Saturday, Nov. 28th 7am - 12pm Covid compliant mask required. Great Furniture antique secretary - coffee table - lamps - mirrors - curtain rods Bedding Blankets - sheets - towels - shower curtains Household items iron board - vacuum cleaner - fabric - pots & pans - cabinet knobs - Books - teenager misc. items - Artwork Medical crutches - leg braces Clothing size small size 6 & shoes Sports fishing rods - soccer nets - coolers - full set men's golf clubs Construction plumbing - electrical supplies - interior glass doors - garden tools Electronics / stereo equipment TVs - jambox - small stereo speakers - music amps - computer -keyboard- mouse - digital picture frame new - Lumix camera SLR - Bose speaker system - WiFi extender

Lawn / Garden / Nursery

Lawn, Flowerbed, Shrubbery, Leaf, & Pine straw Service. Yards starting at \$35. Call Bobby 803-983-5364

EMPLOYMENT

Help Wanted Full-Time

Candlewood Suites is now hiring a front desk clerk & night auditor. Please apply in person at 2541 Broad St.

Nesbitt Transportation is now hiring Class A CDL Drivers. Must be 23 yrs old and have 2 yrs experience. Home nights and weekends. Also hiring diesel mechanics and maintenance worker. Call 843-621-0943.

Sumter Habitat for Humanity ReStore seeking individual for truck donation pickups and warehouse duties. Ability to lift heavy items required. Must have valid SC drivers license with a clear driving record and pass a criminal background check. Apply in person at Sumter Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 30 Bridge Ct., Sumter Tuesday - Friday 10a-4p; Saturday 9a-2p. 28-35 hours per week.

CITY OF BISHOPVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT VACANT POSITION: POLICE OFFICER

City of Bishopville Police Department 112 E. Council Street P. O. Box 388 Bishopville, SC 29010 ATTN: Chief Calvin Collins

Drug Free Workplace Policy Equal Opportunity Employer Benefit Packages Salary \$33,000 - \$34,500 Deadline - December 18, 2020

Sumter Habitat for Humanity has a position available for a Marketing and Resource Development Director. Visit our website at www.habitatsumter.org to download the job description and instructions for applying. No phone calls.

Help Wanted Part-Time

Part-time Assistant needed for a busy office in Manning. Please send all response to P-Box 336 c/o The Item, PO Box 1677 Sumter SC 29151

Broad St. Thrift Mart now hiring for a cashier, 3 days a week & some Saturdays. \$7.25/hour. Applications due Sat., Nov. 28. Drop off a resume or pick up an application at 430 Broad Street, next to The Shrimper.

RENTALS

Mobile Home Rentals

Taking applications for 2 BR MH \$450 Mo. Large Rms, Clean, quiet areas. No pets. Call 803-494-9600

Mobile Home for Rent - Sumter. DW 3br, 2 ba/ \$550 dep. \$550 rent. No Pets. Call 803-478-3635

Mobile Home for Rent. 382 Mooneyham Rd. 3B/R, 2bth \$650 mo. plus \$650 sec. dep. Call Ken 803-316-6462.

REAL ESTATE

Land & Lots for Sale

5 Acres for Sale. Lee County, St. Charles. \$29,000. Owner financing. Please call or text 803-427-3888.



TRANSPORTATION

Miscellaneous



Refurbished batteries as low as \$45. Golf cart batteries \$65. Auto Electric Co. 102 Blvd Rd. 803-773-4381

LEGAL NOTICES

Summons & Notice

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS AMENDED SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF FILING OF AMENDED COMPLAINT AND AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION (NON-JURY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE) C/A NO: 2020-CP-43-01006 DEFICIENCY WAIVED

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for the C-BASS Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-MH1, PLAINTIFF,

vs. Charles Holmes, Jr.; Dolores Holmes and Eileen Crawford and if Dolores Holmes and Eileen Crawford be deceased then any children and heirs at law to the Estates of Dolores Holmes and Eileen Crawford, distributes and devisees at law to the Estates of Dolores Holmes and Eileen Crawford and if any of the same be dead any and all persons entitled to claim under or through them also all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, interest or lien upon the real estate described in the amended complaint herein; Any unknown adults, any unknown infants or persons under a disability being a class designated as John Doe, and any persons in the military service of the United States of America being a class designated as Richard Roe; Denise Crawford; Candice Crawford aka Candace Crawford; Carl Crawford; Jameelah Crawford; Khalia Crawford aka Khalia Hankerson; American Infocourse as agent for Bank of America, N.A.; Citibank, National Association, fka Citibank (South Dakota), N.A.; CACH, LLC; South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles; Ditech Financial LLC fka Green Tree Servicing LLC fka Green Tree Acceptance, Inc. DEFENDANT(S)

TO THE DEFENDANTS, ABOVE NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint herein, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, or otherwise appear and defend, and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Complaint upon the subscriber at his office, Hutchens Law Firm LLP, P.O. Box 8237, Columbia, SC 29202, within sixty (60) days after service hereof, except as to the United States of America, which shall have ninety (90) days, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, or otherwise appear and defend, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein, and judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that should you fail to Answer the foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference of this case to the Master in Equity for Sumter County, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master in Equity is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this case with appeal only to the South Carolina Court of Appeals pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1) of the SCAR, effective June 1, 1999.

TO MINOR(S) OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINOR(S) UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR(S) RESIDES, AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY: YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED to apply for the appointment of a guardian ad litem within sixty (60) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you. If you fail to do so, application for such appointment will be made by the Plaintiff immediately and separately and such application will be deemed absolute and total in the absence of your application for such an appointment within sixty (60) days after the service of the Summons and Complaint upon you.

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NOTICE OF FILING OF AMENDED SUMMONS AND AMENDED COMPLAINT

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED:

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Summons, along with the Complaint, was filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina, on July 17, 2020; that the foregoing Amended Summons, along with the Amended Complaint, was filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina, on August 4, 2020.

AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the South Carolina Supreme Court Administrative Order 2011-05-02-01, (hereinafter "Order"), you may have a right to Foreclosure Intervention.

To be considered for any available Foreclosure Intervention, you may communicate with and otherwise deal with the Plaintiff through its law firm, Hutchens Law Firm LLP, P.O. Box 8237, Columbia, SC 29202 or call 803-726-2700. Hutchens Law Firm LLP, represents the Plaintiff in this action and does not represent you. Under our ethical rules, we are prohibited from giving you any legal advice.

You must submit any requests for Foreclosure Intervention consideration within 60 days from the date of this Notice.

IF YOU FAIL, REFUSE, OR VOLUNTARILY ELECT NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION, YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY/AGENT MAY PROCEED WITH A FORECLOSURE ACTION.

If you have already pursued loss mitigation with the Plaintiff, this Notice does not guarantee the availability of loss mitigation options or further review of your qualifications.

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT My name is: John S. Kay First Middle Last

I am (check one) () the Plaintiff or (x) an authorized agent of the Plaintiff in the foreclosure case described at the top of this page. I am capable of making this certification. The facts stated in the certification are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

1. Verification

Pursuant to the South Carolina Supreme Court Administrative Orders 2020-04-30-02 and 2020-05-06-01 and based upon the information provided by the Plaintiff and/or its authorized servicer as maintained in its case management/database records, the undersigned makes the following certifications:

Plaintiff is seeking to foreclose upon the following property commonly known as: 3590 Myrtle Beach Highway, Sumter, SC 29153 Street Address & Unit No. (if any) City County State ZIP

I verify that this property and specifically the mortgage loan subject to this action:

[X] is NOT a "Federally Backed Mortgage Loan" as defined by § 4022(a)(2) of the federal Coronavirus

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Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act.

[] is a "Federally Backed Mortgage Loan" as defined by § 4022(a)(2) of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act. Specifically, the foreclosure moratorium cited in Section 4022(c)(2) of the CARES Act has expired as of May 18, 2020, and the property and mortgage are not currently subject to a forbearance plan as solely defined in Sections 4022(b) and (c) of the CARES Act.

Please identify which database or the other information you have used to determine that the property does not have a federally backed mortgage loan or federally backed multifamily mortgage loan:

I hereby certify that I have reviewed the loan servicing records and case management/data base records of the Plaintiff or its authorized mortgage servicer, in either digital or printed form, and that this mortgage loan is not currently subject to a forbearance plan as solely defined in Sections 4022(b) and (c) of the CARES Act. Pursuant thereto, I certify that the facts stated in this Certification are within my personal knowledge, excepting those matters based upon my information and belief as to the said loan servicing records and case management/data base records of the Plaintiff or mortgage servicer, and to those matters I believe them to be true. See, Rule 11(c), SCRPC; BB&T of South Carolina v. Fleming, 360 S.C. 341, 601 S.E.2d 540 (2004).

2. Declaration: I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true and correct. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment by contempt.

NOTICE TO APPOINT ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT(S) IN MILITARY SERVICE TO UNKNOWN OR KNOWN DEFENDANTS THAT MAY BE IN THE MILITARY SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ALL BEING A CLASS DESIGNATED AS RICHARD ROE:

YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED that Plaintiff's attorney has applied for the appointment of an attorney to represent you. If you fail to apply for the appointment of an attorney to represent you within sixty (60) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you Plaintiff's appointment will be made absolute with no further action from Plaintiff.

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, except as stated below in the instance of bankruptcy protection.

IF YOU ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT OR HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED AS A RESULT OF A BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING, THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU PURSUANT TO STATUTORY REQUIREMENT AND FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES AND IS NOT INTENDED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT OR AS AN ACT TO COLLECT, ASSESS, OR RECOVER ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE DEBT FROM YOU PERSONALLY.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS C/A NO: 2020CP4301263 (NON-JURY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE) SUMMONS AND NOTICES

F50970 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

MidFirst Bank, PLAINTIFF,

vs. Larry Wayne Hoskins; James R. Hoskins; Douglas R. Hoskins; Brenda Lee Hoskins a/k/a Brenda Emerson; Sandra K. Turner; Harold Keith Hoskins Jr.; Danielle Hoskins; Emily Devillez; Damaris Hoskins a/k/a Crystal Damaris Hoskins; Alex Wayne Jones; Holden Clarence Jones; E.J.G.; Kyra Ferrel Prewitt; Lillee Darlene Falor; any other heirs or devisees of Harold J. Hoskins, Harold Keith Hoskins, Lanea Gonzales or Heather Falor a/k/a Heather M. Mandujano, deceased; including any personal representatives, successors, assigns, spouses, creditors, and all others claiming any right, title, or interest in the property known as 442 Seminole Road, Sumter, South Carolina; any adults or persons in the Military Service of the United States of America being a class designated as John Doe; any minors or persons under a legal disability being a class designated as Richard Roe; and The United States of

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America acting by and through its agency, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. DEFENDANT(S).

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the amended Complaint herein, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, or to otherwise appear and defend, and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Complaint upon the subscribers at their office, P.O. Box 71727, North Charleston, South Carolina, 29415, within thirty (30) days after service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; except that the United States of America, if named, shall have sixty (60) days to answer after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, or otherwise appear and defend, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for relief demanded therein, and judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

TO THE MINOR(S) OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINOR(S) UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR(S) RESIDES AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY: YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED to apply for the appointment of a guardian ad litem within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you. If you fail to do so, application for such appointment will be made by the Plaintiff.

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that should you fail to answer the foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff will move for a general Order of Reference to the Master in Equity for Sumter, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53(b) of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master in Equity is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this action.

NOTICE OF FILING AMENDED COMPLAINT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the original amended Complaint in the above entitled action, together with the Summons, was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County on September 14, 2020 at 12:27 p.m.

ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN AD LITEM NISI

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, upon reading and filing of the Petition of the Plaintiff for the appointment of Kelley Y Woody, attorney in Columbia, South Carolina, as Guardian ad Litem Nisi for all unknown minors, and for all persons who may be under a legal disability, it is

ORDERED that Kelley Y Woody, Attorney at Law, be and she is hereby appointed Guardian ad Litem Nisi on behalf of unknown minors or persons under a legal disability, all of whom may have an interest in or claim to have some interest in the real property known as 442 Seminole Road, Sumter, SC 29150; that she is empowered and directed to appear on behalf of and represent said Defendants, unless the said Defendants, or someone on their behalf, shall within thirty (30) days after service of a copy hereof as directed, procure the appointment of a Guardian ad Litem for the said Defendants;

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order shall forthwith be served upon the said Defendants by publication thereof in The Item, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, once a week for three consecutive weeks, together with the Summons in the above entitled action.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the Supreme Court of South Carolina Administrative Order 2011-05-02-01, you may be eligible for foreclosure intervention programs for the purpose of resolving the above-referenced foreclosure action. If you wish to be considered for a foreclosure intervention program, you must contact Finkel Law Firm LLC, 4000 Faber Place Drive, Suite 450 (29405), P.O. Box 71727 (29415), North Charleston, SC 29405, or call (843) 577-5460 within thirty (30) days from the date of this notice. Finkel Law Firm LLC represents the Plaintiff in this action. Our law firm does not represent you and is not authorized to provide you any legal advice.

IF YOU FAIL, REFUSE, OR VOLUNTARILY ELECT NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION PROCESS, THE FORECLOSURE

Illustration of a woman on the phone with speech bubbles: 'I've never seen so many cars and people! What do you think is going on over there?' 'Well, I was told she's having one of those 'Garage Sales.' Can you imagine?' 'Do you think we should have one and place an ad? It sure would help with Spring Cleaning!'

The Sumter County 2020 Delinquent Tax Sale scheduled for December 7, 2020 has been cancelled. Carolina B. Richardson Treasurer/Delinquent Tax Collector

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MAY PROCEED. NOTICE PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT 15 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq.:

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information you provide will be used for that purpose. However, if you have previously received a discharge from bankruptcy, this message is not and should be construed as an attempt to collect a debt, but only as a requirement pursuant to the administrative order.

James C. Campbell
Clerk of Court for Sumter County
Sumter, South Carolina

November 16, 2020
FINKEL LAW FIRM LLC
Thomas A. Shook
P.O. Box 71727
North Charleston, SC 29415
(843) 577-5460
Attorney for Plaintiff

Notice of Sale

Notice of Sale
C/A No:
2019-CP-43-02366

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **Deutsche Bank National Trust Company**, as Trustee for Ameritrust Mortgage Securities Inc., Quest Trust 2003-X4, Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2003-X4 vs. **Emma Phillips**, South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles I the undersigned as Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **December 7, 2020 at 12:00 noon**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, 141 N. Main Street, Sumter, SC 29150, Sumter County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:

All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, together with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying, and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot # 59, as shown on that certain plat prepared Carl Croft, dated May 25, 1990, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 91 at page 67, and having such metes and bounds as are shown on said plat, this description being in lieu of metes and bounds, as permitted under Section 30-5-250 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended.

TOGETHER with a 1996 Clayton Mobile Home, Serial Number N2020073607N&B located thereon.

This being the same property conveyed unto to Emma Phillips by Warranty Deed of Sumter Mortgage Company, dated August 19, 2003 and recorded August 20, 2003 in Volume 904 at Page 478, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina.

740 Radical Road
a/k/a
740 Reedroman Road
Sumter, SC 29153
TMS#
250-04-04-002(land)
& 4000031008(mobile)

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Notice of Sale
C/A No:
2019-CP-43-02427

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **Wintrust Mortgage**, a Division of Barrington Bank and Trust Co., N/A vs. **Harvey D. James**, Cathy James; I the undersigned as Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **December 7, 2020 at 12:00 noon**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, 141 N. Main Street, Sumter, SC 29150, Sumter County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:

ALL THAT CERTAIN piece, parcel and/or lot of land, together with improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, and being shown and designated as 0.794 of an acre, more or less, on a plat prepared by H. H. Murray, C. E., dated April 1, 1962 and recorded June 23, 1962 in the Office of the Clerk of Court/Register of Mesne Conveyances (RMC) /Register of Deeds (ROD) for Sumter County in Record/Plat Book Z-18, Page 144. Said plat is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference for a more complete and accurate description; all measurements being a little more or less.

ALSO, TOGETHER WITH:

ALL THAT CERTAIN piece; parcel and/or lot of land, together with improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, and being shown and designated as Lot 1 containing, 0.083 of an acre, more or less, and Lot 2, containing 0.095 of an acre, more or less, on a plat prepared by H. S. Willson dated December 18, 1980 and recorded April 15, 1981 in the Office of the Clerk of Court/RMC/ROD for Sumter County in Record/Plat Book Z-45, Page 182. Said plat is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference for a more complete and accurate description; all measurements being a little more or less.

THIS BEING the same property conveyed unto Harvey D. James and Cathy James by virtue of a Deed from the Estate of Raymond C. Davenport a/k/a Raymond Charles Davenport by Raymond F. Davenport, II, Personal Representative, (Sumter County Probate Court Case No.: 2016-ES-43-00168) dated January 11, 2018 and recorded January 12, 2018 in Book 1240 at Page 2738 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina.

274 Keels Road
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TMS# 183-04-01-001

TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest at the current rate of Three and 875/1000 (3.875%) to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Twenty (20) days, the Master in Equity shall forthwith resell the said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former purchaser. As a personal or deficiency judgment is demanded, the bidding will remain open for a period of thirty (30) days pursuant to the S.C. Code Ann. Section 15-39-720 (1976). If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the above-described sale, then the sale of the property will be null, void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

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BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE heretofore granted in the case of: **American Advisors Group vs. Garry H. Hall**, individually; Garry H. Hall, as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Betty H. Jeffcoat**; The United States of America acting by and through its agency The Department of Housing and Urban Development; Midland Funding LLC; C/A No. 2019CP4301995, The following property will be sold on **December 7, 2020, at 12:00 Noon** at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land located in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina and being shown, as lot 51 containing .81 acres. Being further shown and delineated on a plat recorded in plat book 93 at page 150 recorded in the RMC Office for Sumter County. Derivation: Book 725; Page 1208

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Sumter, SC 29154

163-00-01-218

SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.148% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2019CP4301995.

NOTICE: The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search prior to the foreclosure sale date.

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NOTICE OF SALE
CIVIL ACTION NO.
2020-CP-43-00207

BY VIRTUE OF THE decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Deutsche Bank National Trust Company**, as Trustee, in trust for the registered holders of Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2004-HE7, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates,

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Series 2004-HE7 vs. **Jarvis L. Jones** a/k/a Jarvis Louis Jones; Any heirs-at-law or devisees of The estate of Aaron L. Jones, Jr. deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons or entities entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons or entities with any right, title, estate, interest in or lien upon the real estate described in the complaint herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as Richard Roe; and any unknown minors, incompetent or imprisoned person, or persons under a disability being a class designated as John Doe; Aames Funding Corporation DBA Aames Home Loan, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **December 7, 2020 at 12:00 PM**, at the Sumter County Judicial Center, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL OR LOT OF LAND, TOGETHER WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, SITUATE AND BEING IN THE CITY OF SUMTER AND COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY SHOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT NO. 263 ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT OF THE FOURTH ADDITION TO MILLWOOD GARDENS SUBDIVISION PREPARED BY H.S. WILLSON, R.L.S., DATED SEPTEMBER 5, 1958 AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE RMC FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK Z-15 AT PAGE 118. SAID LOT NO. 263 HAVING RESURVEYED AS SHOWN ON PLAT PREPARED BY JULIAN B. ALLEN, RLS DATED JANUARY 23, 1987 AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE RMC FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK 87 AT PAGE 118. PURSUANT TO SECTION 30-5-250 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA (1976), REFERENCE TO THIS PLAT IS MADE FOR THE BOUNDARIES, METES, COURSES AND/OR DISTANCES OF THE PROPERTY DELINEATED THEREON.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED UNTO AARON L. JONES, JR. BY DEED OF NELSON C. JOHNSON AND SUNNY J. JOHNSON DATED MARCH 22, 2004 AND RECORDED MARCH 24, 2004 IN BOOK 930 AT PAGE 001512 THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS SUMTER COUNTY.

CURRENT ADDRESS
OF PROPERTY:
138 Woodside Road,
Sumter, SC 29150
TMS: 2270801018

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). Personal or deficiency judgment being waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance to be made immediately. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Deed, if applicable.

In the event an agent of Plaintiff does not appear at the time of sale, the within property shall be withdrawn from sale and sold at the next available sales date upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or such terms as may be set forth in a supplemental order.

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The Honorable
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MASTER IN EQUITY
NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Sumter Habitat for Humanity, Inc. v. Vivian A. Williams**, et. al. (Civil Action No.: 2019-CP-43-0060), I, the undersigned, Master in Equity for Sumter County have ordered that the following property, which is the subject of the above action, be sold on **December 7, 2020, 12:00 noon**, at Sumter County Judicial Center, 215 North Harvin Street, Sumter, South Carolina to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, together with any improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in Sumter County, South Carolina, delineated as Lot 15 of Fuller Garden Subdivision, Phase One, Section Two, on that plat prepared by Louis White Tisdale RLS, dated June 4, 2002 and recorded in Plat Book 2003 at Page 380 in the RMC Office for Sumter County and being bounded and measuring as follows: On the North by Habitat Drive and measuring thereon 75.00 feet; on the East by Lot 16 and measuring thereon 120.00 feet; on the South by Bethesda Park Subdivision and measuring thereon 75.00 feet; and on the West by Lot 14 and measuring thereon 120.00 be the said measurements more or less. This is the property known as 1180 Habitat Drive, Sumter, South Carolina, 29153 and bears Sumter County Tax Map Number: 251-06-02-090.

This being the same property conveyed to Vivian A. Williams by deed of Sumter Habitat for Humanity, Inc., recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County on January 8, 2007 in Book 1060 at Page 265.

Property Address:
1180 Habitat Drive,
Sumter, South Carolina
TMS No.: 251-06-02-090

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TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). Personal or deficiency judgment being waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance to be made immediately. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Deed, if applicable.

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BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **US Bank Trust National Association**, not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee for VRMTG Asset Trust vs. **Johnathan McCollam**; **Jimmy McCollam**; **Jeremy McCollam**; **Joel McCollam**; **Jeffrey McCollam**; **Shawn McCollam**; **Chad McCollam**; **Shannon McCollam**; **Pamela**

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Alderman; **Sandra Champ**; **Peggy McCollam**; **Karen McCollam**; **Carmen Hess**; Any Heirs-at-Law or Devisees of **Phyllis McCollam**, Deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe; SC Housing Corp.; **Sarah Kane**; **Amy Jo Morrison**; **Erin Morrison**; C/A No. 2020CP4300417, the following property will be sold on **December 7, 2020, at 12:00 Noon** at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel and lot of land, together with the dwelling and improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in Providence Township, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, designated as Lot No. 73 of Dalzell Acres, Phase II, Section No. 4, as shown on a plat by Croft Engineering Company, dated August 13, 1997, recorded in PB 97 at Page 1359, records of Sumter County. Said Lot No. 73 being bounded and measuring as follows: on the Northwest by Lot No. 74, said plat, and measuring thereon 347.56 feet; on the Northeast by other lands of John M. Brabham, Jr. & Mary B. Sheridan, said plat, and measuring thereon 100.00 feet; on the Southeast by Lot No. 72, said plat, and measuring thereon 317.24 feet; and on the Southwest by Lee Altman Road, said plat, and fronting thereon 104.50 feet on the chord. Be all dimensions a little more or a little less and according to said plat.

Derivation: Book 709 at Page 444

3245 Lee Altman Drive,
Dalzell, SC 29040

189-04-01-052

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TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 10.15% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2020CP4300417.

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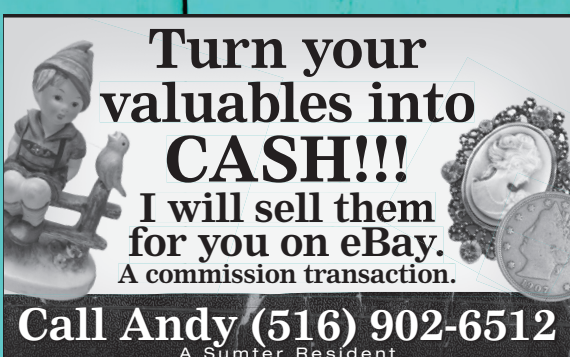
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